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SR 160 billion state budget announced

Budget Estimates

Development of Human Resources	SR 17,144,000,000
Transport and Communications	23,737,000,000
Development of Economic Resources	12,903,000,000
Health and Social Services	9,188,000,000
Infrastructure development	18,492,000,000
Defense	47,800,000,000
Internal Security	8,260,000,000
Public Administration	10,352,000,000
Local Subsidies	5,227,000,000
Internal Government Loans	12,905,000,000
Total:	SR 166,008,000,000

Non-Ministerial Funds

	1398/99	1399/1400
Municipalities and rural settlements	SR 8,494,103,465	SR 7,052,438,000
Pensions Department	1,635,700,000	2,083,000,000
Riyadh University	1,894,127,000	2,136,400,000
King Abdul Aziz University	1,232,049,000	932,250,000
University of Petroleum and Minerals	612,647,900	799,546,400
King Faisal University	177,011,000	350,800,000
Imam Muhammad ibn Saud Islamic University	403,384,000	431,200,000
Islamic University	163,327,000	180,230,000
Public Administration Institute	89,545,000	109,080,000
Standards Organization	12,938,000	13,585,000
General Organization for Grain Silos and Flour Mills	316,770,000	410,292,000
Saline Water Conversion Corporation	3,990,797,000	3,591,311,000
General Electricity Organization	1,019,177,000	1,378,970,000
General Ports Authority	6,121,298,000	5,974,994,000
Sandia Airlines	2,925,048,000	3,402,000,000
Saudi Railway Authority	304,142,000	423,250,000
Petromin	258,970,000	369,550,000
Saudi Red Crescent Society	53,263,318	59,340,000
Total:	29,698,236,000	



BUDGET SESSION: King Khalid chairing Saturday's session of the Council of Ministers which approved the new SR160 billion state budget.

Spending target up 18.75 per cent

By A Staff Writer

RIYADH, May 26 — King Khalid announced a SR160 billion budget for the new fiscal year Saturday at a Council of Ministers meeting at which the King urged the government to implement the new spending plan from the "inalienable standpoint" of Islam.

The fiscal year 1400 budget (1979/80) represents an 18.75 per cent increase over spending targets for FY1399, but is only 8 per cent above actual expenditures incurred during the fiscal year that ended Friday, according to the Ministry of Finance and National Economy.

King Khalid expressed gratitude to God "for enabling us to persevere in building our country and boosting its welfare and dignity," and said the new budget "will enable our government to render more services to the citizens in all parts of the Kingdom."

"The life of this nation is basically linked to its faith," the King declared, "and I ask you all, and myself, to see that all your activities must start from this inalienable standpoint."

The Ministry of Finance and National Economy included an unusual statement with this year's budget decree that reviewed the performance of the Kingdom's economy during FY 1399. Actual expenditures last year exceeded revenues by SR14,529 billion, according to the Ministry's statement.

Using what appears to be a new basis for its calculations, the Ministry reported that gross national product (GNP) for all but the oil sector grew in real terms by 13.7 per cent last year to reach SR228.84 billion. With the oil sector included, the Kingdom's GNP is now SR444,962 billion.

Highlights for the FY1400 budget including major spending increases for manpower training and the military sector, while consumption subsidies and internal government loans were cut back substantially.

King Khalid advised the Council of Ministers to show concern for development projects in rural areas and Bedouin settlements along with educational, agricultural and health services for the general public.

"I thank God for granting us success in the industrial sector, which has begun to auger well, God willing," he said.

Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani reported that Crown Prince Fahd confirmed to the King that the council would work diligently to carry out the King's instructions.

The Crown Prince said that the new budget crystallizes the major objectives of the state — welfare and prosperity for the citizens of Saudi Arabia.

"We look forward to continuing our work seriously and sincerely," Prince Fahd said.

"All the brethren and I shall be keen to implement this budget on the bases for which it has been approved," Prince Fahd said. "I ask God to guide our steps towards success and to preserve this nation's faith, which is the basis of its life."

Minister of Finance and National Economy Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail told SPA the new budget stresses health, social services and public utilities, especially in small towns and villages.

The Kingdom has made great progress in providing basic infrastructure — roads, communications and telecommunications, Sheikh Aba Al-Khail said.

"We are therefore now entering an era of direct services," he added.

The largest single item in the budget is for military sector spending, which is 18.75 per cent higher than last year's.

Michael Laughlin of Toronto was inside the O'Hare terminal, taking pictures, and caught the plane's descent with his camera.

"I had to force myself to shoot," he said. "I couldn't believe what I was seeing."

The plane smashed into an abandoned private airfield, in Elk Grove township, just yards from the Oasis Mobile Home Park, at 3:03 p.m. local time.

Rescue workers could do no rescuing. They removed bodies from the wreckage and wrapped them in blue plastic bags.

Deputy Chicago Police Chief Charles Pepp organized the transfer of bodies to a temporary morgue at an American hangar at O'Hare.

"Get as many as possible in (each van)," Pepp told his workers. "But don't stack them. Treat them with dignity, as if they were members of your own family."

The disaster was the worst in U.S. aviation. Last Sept. 25, 144 persons died after a Pacific Southwest Airlines jetliner collided over San Diego with a small private Cessna.

After unification

Saleh against foreign bases in Yemen

By Elias Haddad

SANAA, May 26 — Soviet bases in South Yemen will have to go when the two Yemens become a single state, North Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh says.

In an interview here with "Arab News" and "Asharq Al-Awsat," the North Yemeni leader did not refer to the Soviet Union by name when asked about the presence of Russian forces to the south.

But the tone of his answer left no doubt that there will not be a future for them when the country is unified.

"There would be no room for the presence of, or influence for, any foreign bases on the territory of the unified state," he said.

Saleh was interviewed at his office in Sana's Presidential Palace this week. Subjects included progress in the unity talks between the two states, North Yemen's internal situation, the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty, and relations with other Arab states.

He said representatives of his government and that of the Aden government have met often since an Arab League meeting in Kuwait in March hammered out a framework for unification of North and South.

That conference was called as a result of fierce border fighting between the two which began in February and threatened to ignite superpower rivalries on the Arabian peninsula.

The latest work toward unity, he said, is being undertaken by joint military, legal and legislative committees of North and South Yemen which are currently meeting here.

The committees, he said, are working "to overcome all causes hindering union and in the framework of basic principles agreed upon by both sides."

"North Yemen follows a democratic system of rule, and therefore it was our duty to involve all legislative machineries in the union process to express their views over what we have achieved at the Kuwait summit," Saleh said.

Unification of the two Yemens was first agreed upon at a meeting in Tripoli, Libya, on Nov. 28, 1972. That agreement called for establishment of a single Yemeni state based on the Sharia (Islamic law).

"Unity of the two countries is a popular demand," Saleh said.

Then turning again to the question of involvement by other powers in both South and North Yemen, he said, "Yemen will not allow any party to infringe on our sovereignty, independence and higher national interests."

"It is important to say that our country does not revolve in the orbit of any power and is not associated with or linked with the East or the West," he said.

"What interests us most," he added, "is the attitude of the Yemeni people because the country's unity concerns the Yemeni people alone."

He denied, however, reports that some of his people oppose the unification plan, specifically that some of North Yemen's important tribal groups are unhappy with the plan.

"There have been misleading rumors perpetuated by the enemy. Regrettably such unfounded rumors find a place in the Arab press," he said.

"We are aware of foreign maneuvers to sow dissension between

Arab states, especially at a time of current Arab differences. However, we emphasize that there is no room for imagining an entity of independent tribes outside the Yemeni state," he said.

"The tribes are part of the people, and the tribes are the majority of the people," he said.

Rumors to the contrary, he said, are baseless. "The internal situation of the country cannot be described by hired pens," he added.

"Calm dominates all Yemeni regions," he said, inviting correspondents to travel outside Sana to see the situation for themselves.

Several short trips during a week-long stay in the country tended to support that view.

Yemenis questioned in the country's villages by and large said they supported unification, but said they doubted it would take place quickly.

During the interview, Saleh repeated Yemeni opposition to the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty and denied reports that his country had been "late" in condemning the accord.

"Our position towards the Camp David accords was announced on time," and the Council of Ministers issued a statement after the accords outlining the position of the Yemen Arab Republic. Our position conformed with the Baghdad foreign ministers conference," he said.

At that conference, held in late March, Arab countries voted to impose political and economic sanctions on Egypt for signing a separate peace treaty with Israel.

"Now," said Saleh, "we reiterate that no solution for the Middle East conflict can be achieved without a just solution — a settlement decided by the Arabs guaranteeing the rights of the Palestinians."

CHICAGO, May 26 (AP) — An American Airlines DC-10 jetliner crashed on takeoff from O'Hare International Airport here Friday, killing all 271 people aboard in the worst aviation disaster in U.S. history.

An engine fell off. Seconds later, the DC-10 crashed and exploded. "It looked like a fire swept through a clothing store and burned all the mannequins," a rescue worker said. "Only they weren't mannequins."

American Airlines flight 191 was en route from Chicago to Los Angeles when it fell from the sky in the United States' worst airplane crash.

The wide-body jet lost its left engine, one of three, shortly after takeoff. It rolled to its left and crashed — hitting nose first, then

the left wing tip — before going up in a roaring explosion.

"There was a ball of flame about 500 feet high and a heat wave," said Rich Dusek, who saw the crash from his nearby service station.

There were no survivors, officials said.

"They didn't stand a chance," Chicago Fire Commissioner Richard Albrecht said after viewing the carnage.

About 250 bodies were removed by late Friday. The others were left overnight.

"Some are still buried under the wreckage and we didn't want to disturb the wreckage," said Douglas Dreifuss, an investigator with the National Transportation Safety Board.

Government investigators said they would begin their inquiry Saturday.

"You can bet your bottom dollar we'll home in on the dropped engine," said Elwood Driver, a member of the NTSB.

Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Neal Callahan said, "it's incredible but not unheard of" for an engine to fall off.

Callahan said flight 191's takeoff, into a 48 kilometer per hour wind, was "normal." But seconds later, he said, an air traffic controller "saw that the flight was in trouble."

"The controller asked the plane if it wanted to come back and what runway it wanted," Callahan said. "There was no answer."

Investigators recovered two flight recorders from the wreckage. One is a recording of voices in the cockpit, the other is a computerized digest of what the plane did.

Callahan said a DC-10 should be able to fly even with one engine missing. "Yes, it should fly, no question about that, but there may have not been enough altitude. That's one thing that will be determined in a further investigation."

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Top ministers hail budget as major step to prosperity

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — Senior ministers Saturday expressed praise for Saudi Arabia's SR160 billion budget as a major step toward greater prosperity for the Kingdom's people.

Speaking after Saturday's Council of Minister's session where King Khaled approved the largest budget in the Kingdom's

history, Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan said: "The directives of King Khaled and the efforts of Crown Prince Fahd in organizing such a program indicate how concerned they are for the comfort of the ordinary citizen."

Housing and Public Works Minister Prince Miteb prayed to God that the new budget "would provide prosperity and profit for all Saudis alike." Prince Naif, the interior minister, hoped that the budget would meet its targets.

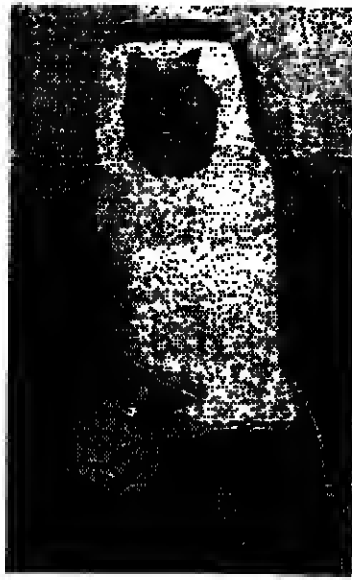
In describing the budget and his ministry's appropriation, Industry and Electricity Minister Dr. Ghazi Algosabi said that three objectives lay behind the expenditure program.

It was designed, first, to balance income; second, to hold down inflation to levels that would not impair the standard of living for ordinary Saudis; and, third, to press forward with national development according to guidelines laid down four years

ago in the Second Five-Year Plan. Dr. Algosabi said that steady growth could be expected in the industrial sector and in electricity generations—with SR1.41 billion appropriated to the ministry, SR1.379 billion to the General Electricity Organization as well as funds for the Saudi Industrial Development Fund and other agencies for loans to the private sector.

In telecommunications, a large proportion of the appropriation for the Ministry of Post, Telegraph and Telephones is for ambitious projects already contracted out.

PIT minister Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal said that his ministry had received an appropriation of SR4.8 billion. Of this, SR4.4 billion would be earmarked for recurrent payments on the SR10.8 billion automatic telephone expansion project, which is due to complete installation of 470,000 telephone lines next calendar year; the microwave telecommunications project to link Saudi



Prince Sultan

towns; and inter-city cable communications projects.

Dr. Kayyal said that the budget was a balanced one and that it showed a clear priority for the welfare of the ordinary Saudi.

Saudi to head Faisal hospital

RIYADH, May 26 — A Saudi physician has been appointed to head the King Faisal Specialist Hospital, the first in the hospital's history.

Dr. Nizar Fetaih, formerly deputy medical director at the hospital, was appointed Saturday by an order of the Royal Court, which manages the hospital.

Khaled receives Tunis minister

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — King Khaled received Saturday Tunisian Minister of Education Muhammad Shaaban Mazali. The meeting was attended by Crown Prince Fahd, and Dr. Rashid Pharaon, the King's special adviser. The King later received Dr. Mana Said Otaibah oil minister of the United Arab Emirates. Crown Prince Fahd, Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, Prince Saud Al-Faisal, minister of foreign affairs, Dr. Pharaon, and Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani, minister of petroleum and mineral resources was also present.

Riyadh academies to stage parade

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — A closing parade for first sports festival of the Riyadh military Colleges will be held at the King Faisal Air Academy here Sunday. Taking part in the festival are King Abdul Aziz Military Academy, King Faisal Air Academy and the Internal Security Forces Academy.

Rural area to have cooperative

HURAIMLA, May 26 (SPA) — A multi-purpose general cooperative society is being set up in Al-Shoabi farming district with a capital of SR 25 million, it was announced here Saturday.

U.S. dairy expert to lecture

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — A U.S. expert on dairy technology, K. Nelson of Vermont University, will lecture Tuesday at the Saudi Arabian Standards Organization on "New vistas in dairy technology." Nelson arrived here Saturday on a 10-day visit and will visit the National Dairy, the Agriculture and Water Research Center, and the School of Agriculture of Riyadh University.

OPEC price now out of step with market, Otaibah claims

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — United Arab Emirates Oil Minister Dr. Mana Said Otaibah said here Saturday that the UAE attempts to be equitable in taking decisions to raise oil prices but that the OPEC price was now lagging far behind prices being charged on the world oil market.

Speaking on arrival here on the first leg of a tour of Gulf oil producers, Dr. Otaibah said: "The UAE will always take into account the effect of oil-price rises on the world economy and on developing countries. But the official OPEC price is now actually half certain prevailing prices and oil prices (on the spot market) have reached \$ 40 a barrel."

The OPEC (marker) price for a barrel of Saudi Arabian light crude is \$ 14.55 which has been overtaken in recent weeks by a series of leapfrogging surcharges, imposed unilaterally by producers.

Algeria became the latest producer to impose a premium Wednesday when it called on its crude customers to accept a price increase of \$ 2.45 a barrel—which will push up the price of its Sahara crude to \$ 21 a barrel.

Algeria is reported to have told its customers that a realistic price

for the OPEC 'marker' crude was now \$ 17 a barrel — although Saudi Arabia itself is still not charging a premium over the \$ 14.55 price of Arabian Light.

Dr. Otaibah said that the United Arab Emirates will continue to consult closely with Saudi Arabia on oil prices and the effect of the present situation in the oil market on consumers.

Dr. Otaibah, said that his talks with Petroleum and Mineral Resources Minister Sheikh

Ahmad Zaki Yamani were in preparation for the upcoming OPEC conference, to be held in Geneva in the last week of June.

He is scheduled to visit Iraq, Qatar, Kuwait and Iran after Saudi Arabia.

Dr. Otaibah said that, during his tour, he would also discuss measures to boost OPEC as "an effective member of the international community and as a contributor to the search for a new and just world economic order."

Dr. Otaibah

Jeddah woman gives birth to 1st Saudi quads

JEDDAH, May 26 — A Saudi woman gave birth to quadruplets here Friday night, the daily "Okaz" reported.

The newspaper said the woman had been married for seven years and, before her pregnancy, had given up hope of ever having children.

The two boys and two girls are the first quadruplets reported to have been born in the Kingdom.

Jeddah sides look well-placed for King's Cup semifinal round

By David Smith



SCORER: Ittihad's Abu Samra

ing season with a Cup Final appearance. Ittifaq has some seasoned internationals in its ranks, but if Dabbo, Tarek, Khojaly and

Saghir strike form for Ahli, the Jeddah side should be the firepower to repeat its early season 5-0 victory over Ittifaq and move into the final for the second year running.

In the main game next Friday, Ittihad and Nasr meet in Riyadh in a tie that could go either way. Ittihad is undefeated since January and its recent fine victories will give the Jeddah side the confidence to attack Nasr.

But much will depend on the way the Ittihad defense copes with the danger of Nasr forwards Majid Abdullah and Raouf bin Aziza. Jeddah fans will be hoping for a Derby match between Ahli and Ittihad in the final, but Nasr will undoubtedly have other ideas and this match could well go into extra time before the finalist becomes known.

Results: King's Cup 3rd Round

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Ittihad 5-0 Ittifaq
Ittifaq 7-0 Dabbo

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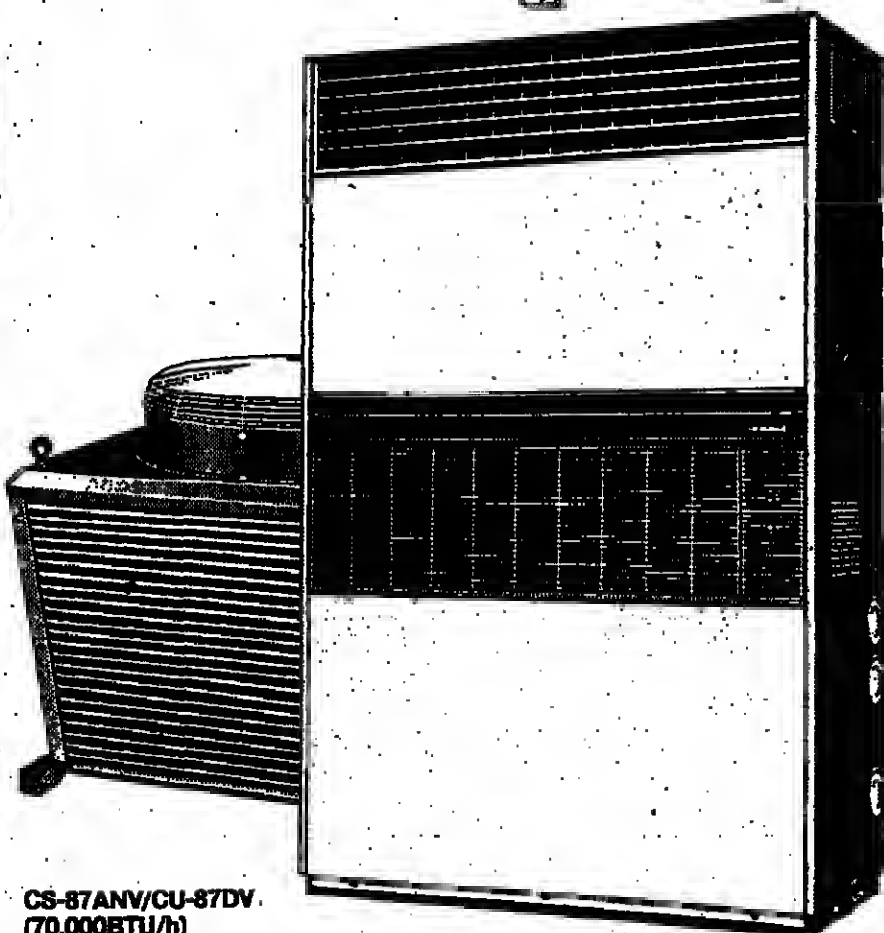
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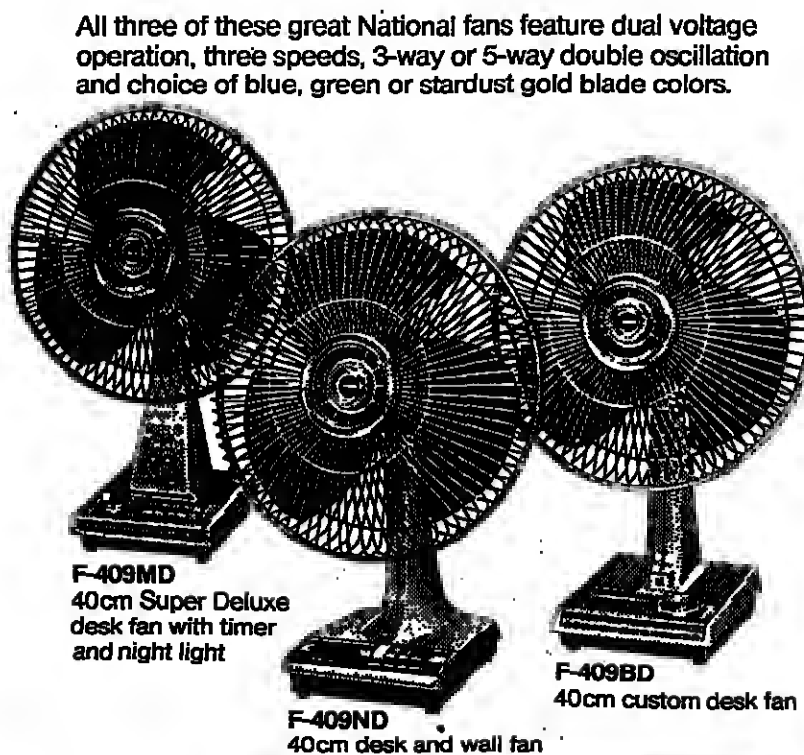
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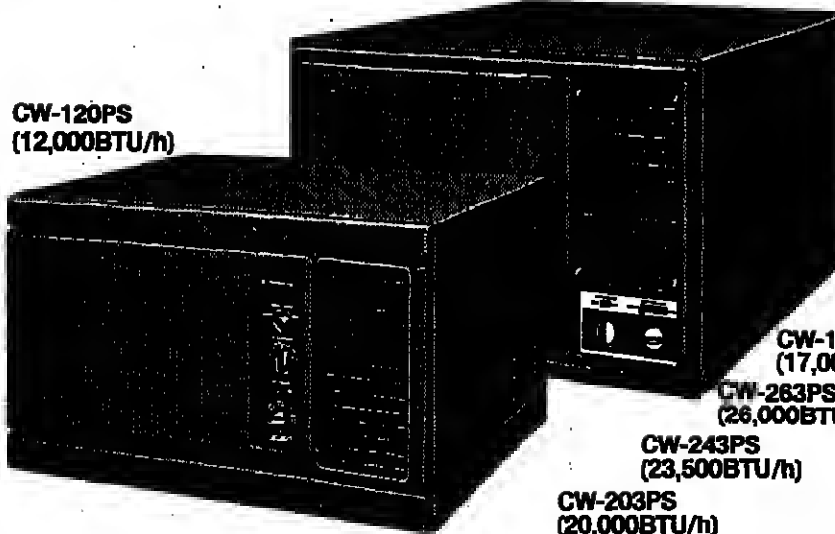


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As Ayatollah Rafsanjani escapes bid on life

Khomeini blames superpowers for attacks

TEHRAN, May 26 (Agencies) — Iran's revolutionary leader, Ayatollah Khomeini, accused "superpowers and international criminals" Saturday of involvement in armed attacks on the country's top religious figures.

But he declared: "They cannot terrorize our Islamic revolution with these desperate acts."

Khomeini spoke as the latest target of armed terrorists, Ayatollah Hashemi Rafsanjani, was reported in satisfactory condition at a hospital following a shooting attack at his home Friday night. A newspaper photograph showed him resting in bed with an oxygen mask on his face.

Rafsanjani, 45, was seriously wounded in a struggle with two gunmen who tricked their way into his Tehran home tried to kill him while his bodyguard was at prayers, the official radio reported.

Khomeini, in a statement read on the radio by an announcer, said Iran's enemies "cannot assassinate the Islamic characters" of Rafsanjani or Ayatollah Mortaza Motahari, who was assassinated May 1. Both were close aides to Khomeini.

The underground group Forghan, believed to consist of Islamic-oriented anarchists, claimed responsibility for both attacks. "Enemies should know that Hashemi is alive because the struggle is alive," Khomeini said. "The United States and other superpowers should know that our nation is alive."

He said the revolution's opponents could not assassinate Rafsanjani's and Motahari's characters "no matter how well-calculated and well-organized these attacks are and no matter that from among the webs of these terrorists one could see the footsteps of the superpowers and international criminals."

He did not elaborate on those supposedly responsible for the attacks.

Khomeini added that revolutionary guards are "duty-bound" to protect important people, even if those to be protected do not want such help.

"The great Islamic nation is determined to continue its Islamic movement and will not allow interference in this country by foreign traitors," he said. "The hands of criminals should be severed from all Islamic countries and all ill-treated nations."

Khomeini also called Saturday for the government to complete work as quickly as possible on the country's new constitution. The document's publication in draft form has been postponed for more than two months.

State radio quoted Khomeini as instructing that the rights of all Iranians should be guaranteed in the constitution.

Several Iranian political organizations, including leftist guerrilla groups, joined Saturday in condemning the attack on Rafsanjani. Ayatollah Hossein-Ali Montazeri, now believed to head the Revolutionary Council, said Friday night's assassination bid was "90 per cent the work of American hands."

"Even if leftists were responsible, they were U.S.-made leftists," Ayatollah Montazeri told the Tehran afternoon newspaper "Kayhan."

For the third day running, demonstrators marched to the U.S. Embassy in Tehran to protest against America's attitude to the execution of the Shah's supporters.

Meanwhile, the state radio reported that a former senior official of the Savak secret police was executed by firing squad at 2:30 a.m. Saturday by order of a revolutionary court in the northeast Iranian city of Mashhad.

The execution brought to 223 the number of people executed by the Islamic tribunals since February.

The radio said the official, Davoud Samadi, was head of the anti-terrorism unit of Savak in Mashhad.

Israelis shell S. Lebanon for the 4th day running

BEIRUT, May 26 (Agencies)

— Israeli border gunners bombed and rocketed the Palestinian-controlled port city of Tyre in South Lebanon for the fourth straight day of hostilities Saturday, touching off a civilian exodus from the region, Lebanese authorities reported.

Israeli-backed right-wing Lebanese militias joined in the mid-morning bombardment that concentrated on the city's harbor, three residential areas and two Palestinian refugee camps on its southeastern outskirts, authorities reported.

Though there was no immediate assessment of the losses, some reports said about 20 shells landed in Tyre, killing a child and causing material damage.

Authorities in Sidon, 25 miles south of Beirut and provincial capital of the south, reported panicked inhabitants fled the stricken areas in cars, buses and trucks.

Tyre 12 miles north of Israel has been a frequent target of naval and artillery shelling in the latest rounds of Israel's terror war with Palestinian commandos.

Officially estimated 120 Palestinians and Lebanese have been killed in Israeli air, sea and artillery attacks in Lebanon since the Jewish state signed its peace treaty with Egypt March 26.

Israel says 18 were killed and more than 200 wounded in commando bombings in Israel in 1979.



PARDON: Former parliament deputy Nayerah Saeedi (left) and Senator Showstomahat Jahanbani (center) sit among other old regime legislators as a pardon from Ayatollah Khomeini for their past acts is read to them in a revolutionary court last week.

Syria, Iraq to proclaim union next month, Beirut papers say

BEIRUT, May 26 (AP)

— Syria and Iraq were reported Saturday on the verge of proclaiming a federal union that would field a merged army of 439,000 men supported by 4,200 tanks and 731 warplanes against Israel.

Two Beirut Newspapers, the pro-Syrian "Al Sharq" and the independent "An Nahar", said the federation was expected in the second half of June after essentials have been agreed upon by the Syrian and Iraqi governments.

"An nahar's" weekly supplement said Syrian President Hafez Assad would head the federation's three-man presidency council.

The other two members reportedly will be Iraqi President Ahmad Hassan Bakr and his Vice Chairman of the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council Saddam Hussein.

The unified state will have a federal government to handle defense, foreign, information and national security affairs, along with a unified armed forces and military commands, the newspapers reported.

Each will retain a separate cabinet and legislature in Baghdad and Damascus to run affairs uncovered by the union.

Agreement to federate was reached by the two governments when Egypt and Israel concluded their Camp David peace accords under U.S. auspices last September. The two newspapers said final arrangements for the proclamation were now nearly complete.

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Agreement to federate was reached by the two governments when Egypt and Israel concluded their Camp David peace accords under U.S. auspices last September. The two newspapers said final arrangements for the proclamation were now nearly complete.

Syria and Iraq are key members of the Arab front that opposes the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

Syrian and Iraqi official statements have repeatedly stressed that the projected federation was designed to defend the two countries against Israel in case the Jewish state wages a new Middle East war after "neutralizing" Egypt by the peace treaty.

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Afghanistan rebels claim capturing 3 provinces

ISLAND, May 26 (Agencies)

— Afghan tribesmen opposed to the pro-Communist regime in Kabul recently seized control of three major provinces, exiled dissidents said here Saturday.

Their claim, which could not be verified, would amount to a major success in the insurgency against the regime of Afghanistan's President, Nur Muhammad Taraki.

Dissidents in Pakistan, who claim to speak for the guerrilla tribesmen, were also buoyed by reporters that they had captured a number of rocket launchers.

The government has used Soviet-built MiG fighter planes and tanks to spearhead its assault against guerrilla bases.

Three aircraft were reported shot down recently after government troops surrendered to guerrillas and handed over their anti-aircraft weapons.

The guerrillas claimed to have seized the weapons when an entire mechanized brigade of 2,500 government troops surrendered and joined the rebels in eastern Paktia province recently.

A force of 700 more soldiers, including an engineering unit surrendered at about the same time in another part of the province, the dissidents said.

They added that three provinces had fallen to antigovernment forces over the last four weeks. They were: central province of Bamian, a center of tourism noted for its Buddhist monastery carved out of a mountain-side; Ghor and the central province of Urozgan.

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Besieged guerrillas in El Salvador vow to resist pressure

SAN SALVADOR, May 26 (AP) — Nine militants who took over the Venezuelan Embassy two weeks ago said Friday they were about to run out of the little food they had been carefully rationing, but they were determined not to surrender.

The guerrillas, in a interview with newsmen through a window of the embassy, said they had limited themselves to four crackers a day each but that they expected their supply to run out Saturday.

Meanwhile, 16 other members of the Popular Revolutionary Bloc continued to hold the French Embassy in which Ambassador Michel Dondenne and five others were still being held hostage. A French government official said he had not seen the hostages for three days but that food was being taken inside.

The takeover of the French Embassy May 4 began a wave of political violence in this Central American nation in which more than 80 people have died. The Bloc also had occupied the Costa Rican Embassy and two churches in the capital for several days.

The Bloc is demanding the release of three of its leaders. But the government, which imposed a state of siege Thursday to quell the disorder, said the three leaders were never in custody.

While the Bloc maintains that it uses only non-violent means to try to force social reforms, three other anti-government guerrilla groups have clashed frequently with security forces since the trouble

Finland elects center-left government

HELSINKI, May 26 (AP) — Finland got its 61st government Saturday in as many years of independence, when the 17-member center-left coalition of Social Democrat Mauno Koivisto was sworn in.

It took over two months after the March general elections to find a basis for a majority government insisted upon by President Urho Kekkonen.



John Wayne

Wayne, family celebrate 72nd birthday

LOS ANGELES, May 26 (AP) — John Wayne's seven children and 17 grandchildren plan to gather at UCLA Medical Center Saturday to celebrate the 72nd birthday of the movie hero, who is fighting a perilous battle with cancer.

A member of Wayne's staff at Batjack Productions said the family would bring a birthday cake to the hospital for a quiet celebration.

The legendary movie cowboy is recovering from a May 2 operation that revealed cancer in his intestine. Last January, cancer forced removal of his stomach.

OAU warns against Rhodesia recognition

NAIROBI, May 26 (AP) — The Organization of African Unity has announced its refusal to recognize the government of Bishop Abel Muzorewa in Rhodesia and warned Britain and the United States not to recognize it either.

The OAU, in a statement released Friday to newsmen through Kenya's foreign ministry, said it had noted with concern the present attitude of the two Western powers and moves in the two nations apparently to recognize the Muzorewa government and lift economic sanctions against Rhodesia, first imposed more than a decade ago.

The statement said, "the OAU believes that the two powers will not be deceived by the rantings of some pressure groups in their countries to try and recognize the sham elections in Zimbabwe as free and fair."

The OAU added, "Those who claim to be champions of democracy cannot regard an election where voters were not registered and where people were forced to vote at the expense of their jobs and under conditions in which more than 80 per cent (of the country) was under martial law."

The statement said that the Patriotic Front, the guerrilla organization headed by Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe, was more than justified to intensify the war against the Rhodesian government for nothing has changed."

5,000 Nepalese in India reportedly fled torture

NEW DELHI, May 26 (AP) — More than 5,000 Nepalese students and other young people have fled to India, alleging persecution by Nepal's police, the United News of India reported Saturday from Patna, the capital of Bihar state in eastern India.

"They are completely terror stricken," Narendra Kumar, the leader of an Indian youth organization, told the news agency after a visit to the border areas where the refugees are camping. He said the students fled to Bihar, which borders eastern Nepal, after the Nepalese Royal Army was called out earlier in the week to suppress a seven-week student revolt.

"Many of the students complained of torture when they were caught by Nepalese police," Kumar said.

The report did not say whether the refugees had begun returning

to Nepal following Thursday's announcement of a referendum King Birendra to determine the future political setup in the Himalayan kingdom.

Pending extradition

Kenya still holds Astles

NAIROBI, May 26 (AP) — The British-born "Major" Bob Astles, aide to deposed Ugandan President Idi Amin was reportedly still being held by Kenyan authorities Saturday pending extradition on possible charges of murder, according to local press reports.

Astles, 54, a former British Army Royal Engineers sergeant, immigrated to Uganda in the early 1960s and worked his way up the

political ladder — from road gang supervisor in the pre-independence government, to foreign policy adviser and right-hand man of Amin.

According to reports from the Ugandan capital, the provisional government of President Yusufu Lule was initiating extradition procedures against Astles, who may be charged with more than a half-dozen murders.

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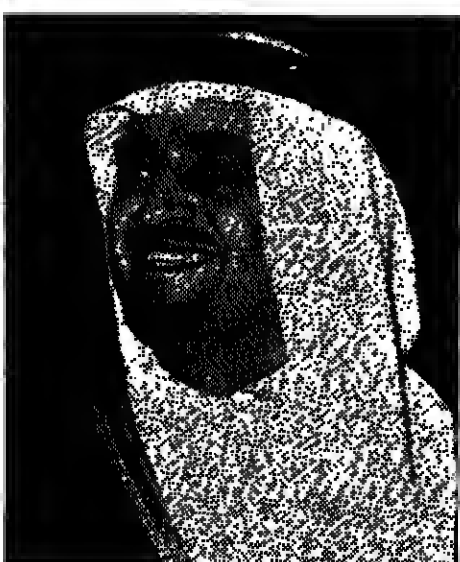
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Party leaders hear appeal

Chaotic' Congress riles Carter

WASHINGTON, May 26 (R) President Jimmy Carter, beset by political turmoil and no-vote votes by many fellow Democrats, appealed to party leaders Friday to support him in his uphill battle over his energy and inflation policies.

Carter appeared at the spring meeting of the Democratic National Committee as congressional Democrats were challenging his leadership, voting against him on many issues, and even trying to dump him as their 1980 presidential candidate. Denouncing the chaos in a Co-

gress controlled by huge Democratic majorities, Carter spoke bitterly about what he described as demagoguery and political timidity and said government in the United States was close to paralysis.

"The American people are looking to us for honest answers and clear leadership," he said. "What they often see instead is a government which seems incapable of action at all."

Carter, still seen by a majority in public opinion polls as an ineffective leader, spoke as congressional Democrats were deserting

him in droves on energy and other key issues.

But, while saying he might not be the best of politicians, he predicted success in his expected re-election bid.

The president acknowledged he was having "a terrible time" failing to win approval of oil legislation and other measures such as proposed ceiling on hospital costs despite begging, pleading and threatening on his part.

"Maybe it is my fault," he said. "Maybe if I were a better politician I could have got these things out of Congress."

But "When I decide to run (for re-election), it will be in every precinct of this country ... and I have no doubt I will be successful," he declared.

Meanwhile, government lawyers are looking at the financing of advertisements for Carter's 1976 election campaign by an agency run by a man who is now a top White House aide, the justice department said Friday.

A preliminary inquiry, begun in January after two reporters brought certain facts to the department's attention, is near completion, and there is no evidence to suggest criminal conduct, a spokesman said.

The agency which handled advertising for Carter's presidential campaign was then owned by Gerald R. Johnson, now assistant to the president for communications.

According to campaign financial reports, the agency extended \$640,000 credit to the Carter campaign, making it possible to buy advertising space when cash was low.

Ford won't run but 'never says never' for 1980

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP) — Former President Gerald Ford declared Friday he has no intention of running for the 1980 Republican presidential nomination, but "I learned a long time ago never to say never."

"I have no plans or expectations of becoming a candidate for any political office," Ford told a Washington press club luncheon. In what has become a standard speech, Ford also said he would play no favorites among the candidates seeking the 1980 GOP nomination. Ford said: "They're all my friends. I will not favor one over another during the pre-convention contests."



Sen. Edward Kennedy

Chicagoans tell Kennedy to run in '80

NEW YORK, May 26 (AP) — Illinois Democrats unveiled on Friday the latest plan to draft Sen. Edward Kennedy as the party's presidential choice, while efforts to derail a similar drive continued in Ohio.

The Massachusetts senator repeatedly has said he is not a candidate for the Democratic nomination in 1980. His most recent demurral came Wednesday after five liberal Democratic congressmen urged the party to drop President Jimmy Carter, four of them endorsing Kennedy.

Nevertheless, a group said in Chicago on Friday that it was joining the "draft Kennedy" movement and Democratic committeemen in Cleveland were preparing to vote Saturday on a motion to back Kennedy as the party's presidential candidate.

"We are trying to encourage Kennedy to run," said Charles Williams, Illinois co-ordinator for the Committee on Political Education of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers. "The machinists union itself has been dissatisfied with President Carter for some time now."

The union, with 91,000 members in Illinois, is working with the Committee on Illinois Government, a group of independent Democrats headed by William Luking, a Chicago attorney, in a petition effort, Williams said.

Among the complaints cited about Carter's performance in the White House were his wage-price guidelines, soaring oil company profits, inflation and a lack of control over multinational corporations.

Wave of prison executions seen in U.S.

RAIFORD, Fla., May 26 (Agencies) — Both supporters and opponents of capital punishment believe the death of convicted murderer John Spunkelink in the electric chair Friday will bring a wave of executions across the United States.

Spunkelink, 30, was only the second man executed in the country in the last 12 years. Gary Gilmore, willingly faced a firing squad in Utah in January, 1977.

Many Americans, including some of the 32 official witnesses of the execution in Florida's state prison felt a sense of revulsion.

"We sat there and watched a cruel and unusual thing," said Florida state legislator Andy Johnson. "We saw a man sized today. If you leaned forward and looked close, you could see that he sizzled again and again."

Utah Deputy Attorney-General Michael Dremer, who helped to prosecute Gilmore, said he hoped Spunkelink's death would "open the flood gates to execute all those on death row who lawfully and legally have had the death sentence imposed on them."

"It demonstrates the great deal of value we place on human life—that anyone who takes a life will have to pay with his own," he said.

Ramsey Clark, who was attorney-general under President Lyndon Johnson and who helped to prepare Spunkelink's final appeals, said he thought the execution would lead to additional executions.

"I believe we will abolish the death penalty," Clark said in



IN VAIN: Susan Carey, an attorney for John Spunkelink who was executed in Florida Friday, explains the legal proceedings a few days before the death penalty was carried out.

Washington. "It's a question of when and how many lives will be lost in the meantime. America really doesn't have the heart for it."

A spokesman for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) noted that of nearly 500 people under sentence of death in the

U.S., 129 were in Florida State Prison.

"Florida's death row inmates offer the Sunshine State an opportunity to surpass South Africa, equal Iran and approach the Soviet Union in legalized killing," he said.

Some felt that in executing Spunkelink, who claimed he acted

in self-defense in killing a fellow vagrant in 1973, the state of Florida had made an example of the wrong man.

Spunkelink went to the electric chair only minutes after the Supreme Court had refused for the sixth time to consider his appeal.

At a briefing after the execution, the Rev. Tom Feaster said Spunkelink had jotted down an epitaph in the hours before he died.

"Man is what he chooses to be. He chooses that for himself," Spunkelink wrote on a note he slipped to his minister.

Feaster, who witnessed the death, said "It amazed me as I stood there. I was looking at the backs of the heads of the witnesses. I thought, 'God almighty, how could somebody want to witness something as barbaric as this.'"

Carol Myers, Spunkelink's sister, appeared at the briefing area crying on the shoulder of her husband, Tim. She held up what she said was her brother's last will, which read: "This is to authorize the release of my body and all personal belongings immediately if I am executed (murdered) by the State of Florida to Mrs. Carol Dean Myers."

Lola Spunkelink, much in evidence around Florida State Prison while her son had a chance to live, was grieving in seclusion Friday at the moment he died.

Mrs. Spunkelink, 67, was a constant visitor to the media gathering during the past week. A family spokesman said Mrs. Spunkelink was holding up.

She never gave up, even in the last hours. Friday morning, she placed calls to President Jimmy Carter, Sen. Edward Kennedy and Florida Gov. Robert Graham but didn't reach any of them, the spokesman said.

An attorney for Spunkelink tearfully pleaded the United States to Iran, Friday, for executing her client. "It means we were just like Iran. We're no better than they are. How can we condemn? They've got to see the international ramifications. 'We are very angry about this.'"

Attorney Margie Pitts Hames made the remarks to reporters after Spunkelink was electrocuted. "I'm incensed over the treatment we got by the courts."

At murdered general's funeral

Spain rightists demand power to army

MADRID, May 26 (Agencies)

A funeral march Saturday for three army officers and their driver, killed by Basque separatists, brought cries of "army to power" from rightists who raised their arms in fascist-style salutes.

An estimated 2,000 right-wing demonstrators joined the procession to the cemetery along a three-mile route guarded by hundreds of police officers. Some of the demonstrators wore military uniforms.

Police broke up groups of people shouting anti-government slogans along the route but there were no major incidents, authorities said.

Shouts of "army to power," "government resignation" and "Suarez traitor" were shouted repeatedly.

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Farmers stay put
Old nuclear wounds open
in Mississippi wilderness

JACKSON, Miss., May 26 (AP) — James Saul recalls the 1960s, as the ground shook and trees collapsed during two underground nuclear tests near his farm.

Now, knocking at his door at 3 a.m. Friday, he told him to vacate his home because of level radioactivity has been found in the area.

They just told us to pick up our things and leave—14 years after the fact," said Saul, 58, a retired field worker who lives with his son west of a sparsely populated area of rolling hills and woods, at 145 kilometers north of Orleans.

"It gets out and you can't tell if there's high levels of radioactivity found above the Tatum salt used by the U.S. government in the 1960s for nuclear

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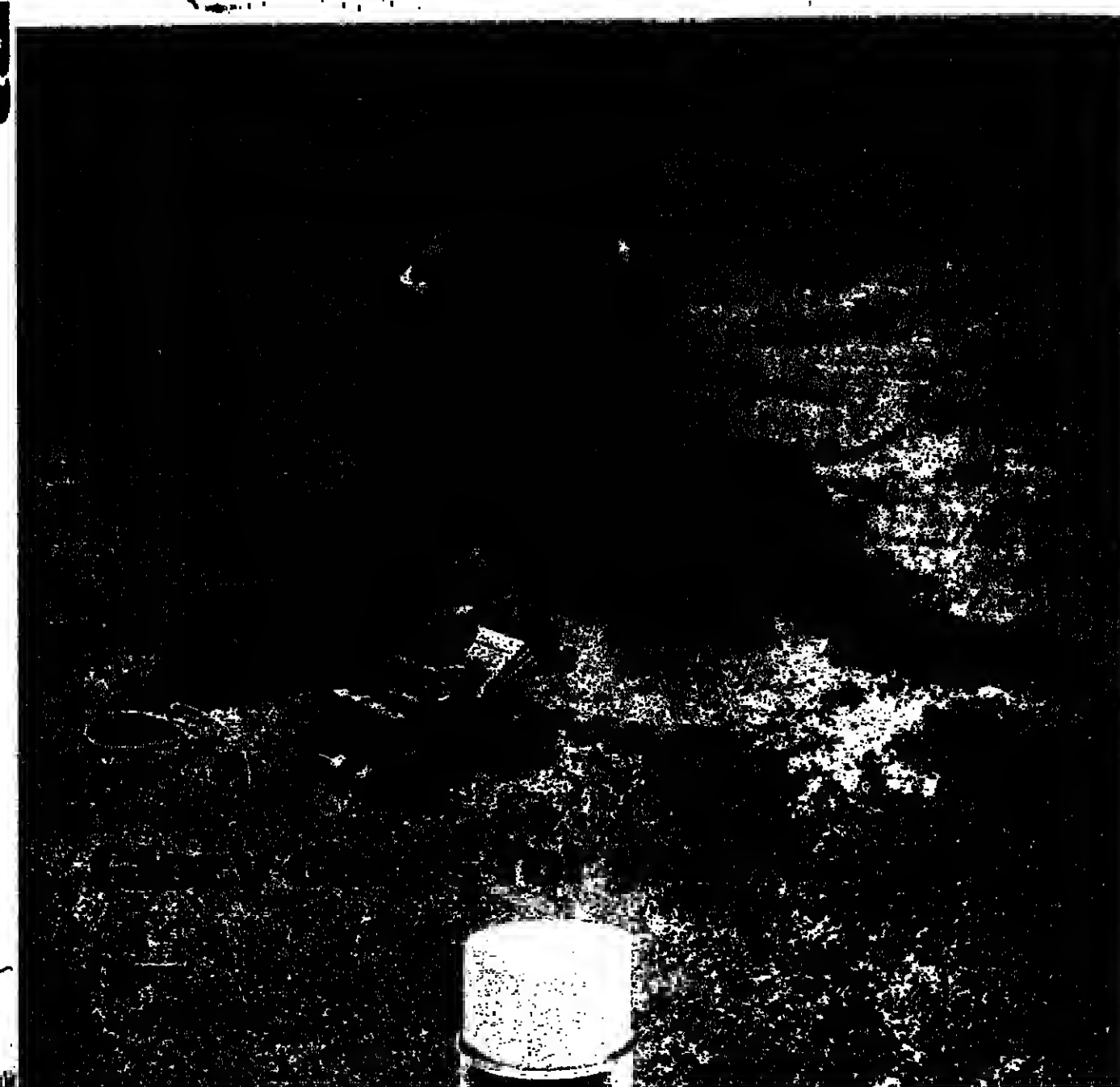
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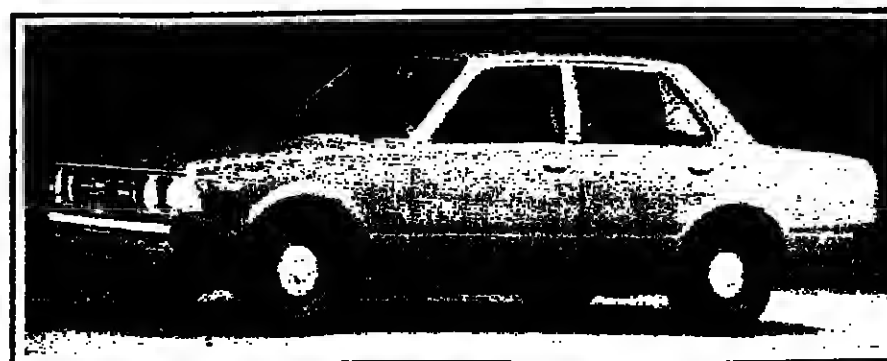
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Iran listening post: Awaiting orders

By William Branigan

BEHSHAHR, Iran — A secret American monitoring post abandoned Jan. 31 by U.S. Central Intelligence Agency technicians, is still in working order and is being kept that way by Iranian Air Force personnel who show signs of pro-American, anti-Communist sentiments.

The Iranian airmen are under orders to maintain the facility just the way the Americans left it until the two governments decide what to do with it.

So far no decision appears imminent. Authorities say there have been no negotiations so far on either removing the sophisticated equipment or letting the Americans back in to resume running it — the latter prospect, they say, appears highly unlikely.

No U.S. officials have been to the Behshahr station, which overlooks this town near Iran's Caspian Sea coast, or to a similar post on a remote mountaintop near Kabkan in northeastern Iran since the posts were evacuated in the turmoil of the Iranian revolution.

American technicians evacuated in late February from the Kabkan post after having been held captive by revolutionaries said the facility was vital for verification of Soviet compliance with the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty.

After the stations were abandoned, U.S. officials also expressed concern that sensitive equipment and materials might fall into the wrong hands and be passed on to the Soviets.

A visit to the Behshahr post recently by two American correspondents showed security to be rather precarious. Initially we were told to come back on a Monday, when the air force guards open the place to tourists. But after some discussion we were admitted for a private tour.

The post's 30-foot-high white radar dome and nearby radio monitoring and relay towers were found to be intact. Big air conditioning units were still keeping the dome climate-controlled, and the steady whir of machinery indicated that the equipment behind the structure's locked doors was still functioning.

"We haven't done anything with these devices," said Sorvan Javaheri, a shy 23-year-old second lieutenant who is in charge of the facility. "Anytime you come here you will see that everything works, even the lights."

The equipment runs on Behshahr electricity. But generators are designed to cut in automatically if the power fails. Lt. Javaheri said his men were keeping the generators topped up with fuel oil.

"We do not have any orders from the U.S. government," Lt. Javaheri said. "But the (Iranian) air force has told us to keep everything working until the Americans tell us what we should do with it."

He said townspeople, long barred from the site when it was run by Americans under the regime of the deposed Shah, could come and see the dome on visiting days. "But nobody can go inside it."

Javaheri said he was the only one at the post who knows the combination for a lock consisting of five black buttons on the facility's steel double doors. Neither is anyone else allowed inside a windowless operations bunker built into the hilltop just below the white bubble, which sits on the grassy surface like a huge golf ball.

The young U.S.-trained lieutenant said the combination for unlocking the doors was passed on to him by the post's previous commander whom he relieved 17 days earlier. His predecessor, in turn, got the combination from the American in charge before the evacuation, Javaheri said.

The whirring and purring of electronic equipment inside the facility has raised speculation that it may be continuing to transmit data on Soviet missile tests and military communications back to the United States via satellite. But a knowledgeable foreign source dismissed this idea, saying technicians were needed to run the Behshahr post and similar facilities.

Javaheri was reluctant to describe his ventures inside the dome. Most of the visitors to the hilltop compound are mainly interested in seeing a 16th century palace on its grounds which commands an excellent view of the town below and the Caspian coast about nine miles to the north.

The palace, once the summer residence of the Savafid Dynasty monarch, Shah Abbas, was formerly the headquarters of the monitoring post, which was established 20 years ago. A radar still sits in front of the palace, plainly visible from the highway linking Behshahr with other Caspian coastal towns.

"After the revolution, people were curious to see the palace," Javaheri said. "For them it is a historical place. Most people don't have the education for taking much interest in the dome."

Lt. Javaheri said he had received six months of training as a "missile minder," or officer who commands a missile silo, at U.S. bases at Van Nuys, California, and San Antonio, Texas.

He said he allowed us to visit the post only because we were Americans.

"No Russians have been here," Javaheri said. "We wouldn't let them come in." Despite his assurances and his apparent pride in the post's security arrangements, it seemed debatable whether the guards would be able to tell the difference between Soviet agents and other visitors who wanted to tour the facility.

In any case, according to an informed source, a spy could not hope to learn much from such a visit. The source tended to dismiss the value of any intelligence that could be gleaned even by entering the radar dome or its command bunker. All the top-secret cryptographic gear at the facility has been "taken care of," he said.

However, it was unclear what, if any, classified technical manuals or other documents remained at the site. According to a reporter who visited the Behshahr installation immediately after the February revolution, the place bore the look of a "latter-day Pompeii." Clothes and personal effects were abandoned in the Americans' homes, indicating at hasty departure that might not have afforded enough time to destroy sensitive materials.

Supporting this thesis was the presence beside the radar dome of six metal barrels marked "document destroyer drum type without igniters" — all of them unused. — (WP)



South Lebanon: Initiatives and pressure

By Jim Muir

BRAACHITE, South Lebanon —

In the central square of this hillside village some five miles from the Israeli border, a score of mostly elderly men sit despondently in doorways waiting for something to happen.

They represent nearly the entire remaining population of a township which until two weeks ago was home to around 5,000 people. The others have all fled, bundling their ready possessions into hired cars and heading north to safety from the ultimatums and bombardments of Maj. Saad Haddad, the Israeli-backed right-wing militant whose breakaway "Free Lebanon" border enclave lies just over the hill.

Like a string of some nine other villages similarly threatened with destruction if they do not join Haddad's "Free Lebanon," Braachite lies inside the zone controlled by the United Nations peacekeeping force (UNIFIL). But this has not meant immunity for the villagers. Quite the contrary. In a series of ultimatums conveyed to the villagers by such incongruous go-betweens as nuns, Haddad has pressed them to demand the removal of U.N. roadblocks and positions. The U.N. is thus cast as the source of the people's woes, and it is powerless to protect them from the shelling with which Haddad backs up his threats. Three Braachite villagers were killed as bombardments sped up the exodus a few days ago.

The few remaining people of Braachite accuse Haddad of using "blackmail and psychological warfare." They praise the U.N. for its efforts, but assert volubly that all they want is to be able to get on with their lives in peace and quiet. The others have all voted with their feet.

"If Haddad wants to come in peace, welcome," said one old man, underlining the psychological problem faced by the U.N. It could find itself in the demoralizing position of defending ghost villages, depopulated ostensibly because of the very U.N. presence.

"When villagers come and ask us to dismantle one of our roadblocks, we explain to them why we have to stay," a spokesman for the Irish contingent controlling the area said. "If Haddad tries to enter this area, we will of course stand firm. We'll defend our positions and

repel him."

UNIFIL officials believe Haddad's immediate aim is to take control of the strategic ridge of hills topped by Braachite and its neighbors, though the strategic aim of the constant pressure and harassment is clearly to squeeze the U.N. out. A few miles away, the commander of "Haddadland's" western sector, Louis Hasrouni, makes no secret of expansionist ambitions.

"Another ten kilometers, and goodbye UNIFIL," he says. "You haven't heard the end of it yet. Our aim is to liberate all of Lebanon, up to Beirut — even Tripoli (north Lebanon)."

There is no longer any doubt about the presence of Israel's hand inside the glove. "We owe everything to Israel," says Hasrouni. Haddad himself is rarely seen without his Israeli "liaison officer," Col. Yoran Mizrahi, referred to by Western military observers as Haddad's "control." The UNIFIL commander, Gen. Erskine, recently put on record what has been widely known for some time: that Israel itself has been active in shelling the U.N.-held areas.

Israel has now officially stated at the U.N. that there can be no steps to extend Lebanese state authority into the border enclave, through UNIFIL, as long as the rest of Lebanon remains "occupied" by the Syrians and Palestinians. This Israeli intrusion into Lebanese affairs has now become the dominant factor in Beirut politics, particularly in the wake of the government's resignation.

Haddad's secession, Israel's position and its conditions for peace with Lebanon have tacit or open support from a number of rightwing leaders in Beirut. As long as this remains so, it will be virtually impossible to replace the technocratic cabinet of Salim Hoss with the desired political team.

However, inter-rightist fighting in Beirut, and the subsequent merger of the two biggest factions, raised the possibility that the rightists might back out of their alliance with Israel and accept a national entente formula which would also involve withdrawals of the Syrian peacekeeping forces from western Lebanon, and controls on the Palestinian presence. But with the initiative and pressure coming from the south, the signs are that President Sarkis will eventually have to fall back on another neutral, apolitical team to preside helplessly over a further slide into chaos. (OFNS)

Tito-- Peking's middleman in Moscow

By Dev Murarka

MOSCOW —

The real purpose of President Tito's recent visit to Moscow was to arrange, or at least to initiate, a rapprochement between Moscow and Peking.

It is out that the Russians would take kindly to any mediation between them and the Chinese, and indeed they would continue to deal with Peking directly. But there is a feeling that maybe Tito can be useful to some extent in explaining what the Chinese really want to do in terms of their relations with the Soviet Union.

After the talks between Tito and President Brezhnev, it is clear that differences in outlook between Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union remain deeply entrenched.

Neither leader has budged from his position on any question in a significant way. Indeed, Tito has gone out of his way to reaffirm Yugoslavia's right to take its own stand on international problems.

Surprisingly enough, the Russians did not expect the Yugoslav stand to change. They understand that Tito, and Yugoslavia, need the image of being defiant of the Soviet Union and it is no longer grudging. But what causes great irritation to Moscow is that Tito is apparently trying to play his own China card.

The Yugoslavs are sympathetic to Russia's fears and an important purpose of the Tito visit was to reassure the Russians that Yugoslavia is not joining the Chinese against the Soviet Union in any form.

If Tito is to play a useful role between Moscow and Peking, the Russians would first expect some subtle modifications from Yugoslavia itself. It would have to be less provocative in flouting the Chinese connection, and it would have to temper its objectively anti-Soviet role within the non-aligned movement.

The Russians know that Tito is very concerned about the growing strength of some pro-Soviet countries within the movement, but they argue that this has nothing to do with them as such and that the

Yugoslavs are not only blaming the wrong party but are in a way responsible for it themselves.

For instance, Tito is very upset by the role being played by Cuba. But the Russians say that Fidel Castro is not someone they can order about. He plays his own game. Even if this suits Soviet interests for the moment, the responsibility for it should not lie with them.

Secondly, claim the Russians, a good deal of Yugoslav feeling about the whole matter is distorted because Tito has become jealous of Castro.

There is no need for Tito to be so jealous, or to act as if the non-alignment concept is his monopoly, they say. Rather, he should adapt to the new needs of non-alignment.

While the Russians do not care all that much about non-alignment since by nature they prefer commitment to the Soviet Union, they are with some bitterness how the cause of non-alignment will be served if it is aligned to China, which in turn is aligned to the West and above all to Washington's foreign policy aims.

This is seen as a personal problem between Tito and Moscow, rather than a problem between Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union. After Tito, it is felt here, Yugoslavia will reabsorb itself in European affairs and will take only a nominal interest in non-alignment of the Third World.

Moscow says that Tito fails to understand some facts of political life. He fails to understand, for instance, that non-alignment, from its very beginning, has been an expression of militant nationalism against the West, since in this way the West's hostility to the newly independent nations could be blunted a little.

It follows, the Soviets claim, that non-alignment has to depend to a great extent on Soviet good will to be effective.

But if non-alignment turns against Moscow, the Soviets say, it will disintegrate and Soviet leaders would like Tito to keep this in mind. (OFNS)

DIRECT SERVICES

Two main aspects of the new state budget are the shift away from a consumer society to a productive one, and an attempt at a greater distribution of wealth that is primarily aimed at the rural areas.

In his statement Saturday, King Khaled underscored the budget's objective when he said it "will enable our government to render more services to the citizens in all parts of the Kingdom."

The new budget differs from previous ones not only in the change in emphasis. It gives a review of the economy's performance in the previous year, while offering a forecast of the coming year. Finance Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail summed up the idea when he stated: "We are now entering an era of direct services," now that infrastructure development appears to have reached the high watermark.

While the new budget is the highest in the Kingdom's history, it represents only an eight per cent increase over last year's actual expenditures. This spending restraint should help the government maintain its successful control of inflation which now stands at less than 10 per cent. In cutting back on direct subsidies, internal government loans and similar non-productive areas, it should go a long way toward creating the competitive spirit that has been missing to a certain degree from Saudi society.

A welcome feature of the new budget is the emphasis on curbing consumption. Sheikh Aba Al-Khail's assertion that the budget was worked out "to ensure that government spending stays within the absorptive capacity of the economy," should ease the pressures on the average citizen — although contractors may see it in a different light.

One of the ill effects of the market's performance in the past year was the need for the government to dip into its reserves. While not all the drawdowns financed consumption, a large portion of that sum did — a thing the government seems intent on avoiding. Drawing on reserves is an acceptable practice, but the country's interests are best served if such funds enter a productive capacity.

The desire to put more money into rural areas and provide services that have not reached rural settlements yet has the added advantage of limiting the movement away from these areas into already congested urban centers.

The slight reduction in infrastructure spending reflects a belief that local industry has already been put on the road to success and is in no way a turn around from the declared objectives of the country's development plans.

"The civil war in Afghanistan is another example of the Soviet designs of dominating peoples and countries through their control of puppet regimes," according to "Al-Bilad."

"But the Afghans, ill-equipped as they are, have proved over the last 13 months, that their opposition is more than a match to the weapons technology of the Soviet Union, and that their military strategy is a match for that of the regime and its Soviet backers."

"It seems that the Afghan rebellion against the communist regime and Soviet hegemony, is moving in the right direction as proved recently by the defection of 10,000 Afghan soldiers with their weapons to the Muslim rebels. This defection is not new as Afghan army troops have been joining the rebels over the last few months with remarkable regularity which shows that the regime may be teetering on the verge of collapse."

The Afghan people have suffered immense hardships during the last few months of Communist rule and had no alternative but to resist the regime. Although the regime is resorting to savage reprisals, there is every indication that the Muslim uprising is on the ascendancy."

"It was refreshing to hear Cyrus Vance say that without a fair solution of the Palestinian question there will be no peace and stability in the region," said "Al-Medina."

"If this statement reflects official American opinion, it will conform with the opinion of the majority of mankind. Since this statement is made by the top man in American foreign policy, it may be necessary to remind the American government of an important and fundamental matter. Seldom have so many people and countries concurred on any issue as they have on the rights of the Palestinians. Consequently, the current talks in Sinai on Pales-

tinian autonomy, in the absence of the Palestinians, are no more than a re-enactment of the old colonial stage-plays which have been relegated to history."

"It is a pathetic reminder of the days when British and French colonialists negotiated on behalf of subject peoples to decide their fate."

"What civilized government agrees to re-enact that colonial past in all its ugly form to impose a colonial regime in another garb. If the United States wants to contribute positively to the peace process it must first pose as a truly neutral mediator and then proceed to involve all the parties to the conflict in negotiations aimed at a full and fair settlement with the PLO as the representative of the Palestinian people."

"The absence of any representatives of the Palestinian people from the talks on the so-called self-government plan for the occupied territories is convincing

proof of the Palestinian people's unanimous rejection of the plan" according to "Al-Jedrah."

"The Palestinians, and the Arabs behind them, have rejected this plan because they know it is not genuine and that the Israelis merely want to create a false internal autonomy authority while retaining all substantial powers. Israel has no intention to allow the internal autonomy plan to lead to independence and a sovereign Palestinian state. This has been confirmed time and again. Only yesterday it was repeated by the Israeli interior minister who said that those who believe the plan could lead to independence should realize that their dreams will not materialize."

"What more do the Palestinians and the Arabs want to hear to reject the plan," the paper asked. According to "Okaz" the forthcoming budget which comes at the end of the second five year plan "will bring with it even greater

prosperity and progress as it coincides with the beginning of the third five year plan."

"Planned development has proved to be the best method of fighting backwardness. Such development plans have given rise to agricultural and industrial enterprises which have helped us in reducing our total dependence on oil as the sole source of national income."

The paper said that the last year of the second five year plan should be used to launch a new educational policy "aimed at creating a new generation of Saudi experts and technicians to manage and operate the various enterprises that we have built and will be building in the future."

"This policy should be the foundation for new targets that are envisaged under the third plan," the paper said.

"Our ambitions have no limits and we have high hopes to forge a better future."



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The package tour arrives in Arabia

By Michael Adams

DAMASCUS — In a small town on the Mediterranean coast of Syria, a motor coach pulls up outside a new hotel on the sea front. From it emerge 15 American tourists, with a courier, a guest lecturer, a Syrian guide — and a small mountain of luggage.

The tourists are weary; they have driven from Aleppo, visiting a couple of crusader castles on the way, and they are looking forward to a shower, a good dinner and comfortable beds. While they dispose themselves on the brand-new chairs in the lobby, the courier sets about negotiating for these with the hotel staff.

The negotiations prove complicated and tax the patience of both sides. The rooms for the tourists have been booked in advance and confirmed that morning by telephone, but it seems that they are not ready. Or rather, some are ready while others are not, and even those that are ready contain tangible evidence of their previous occupants.

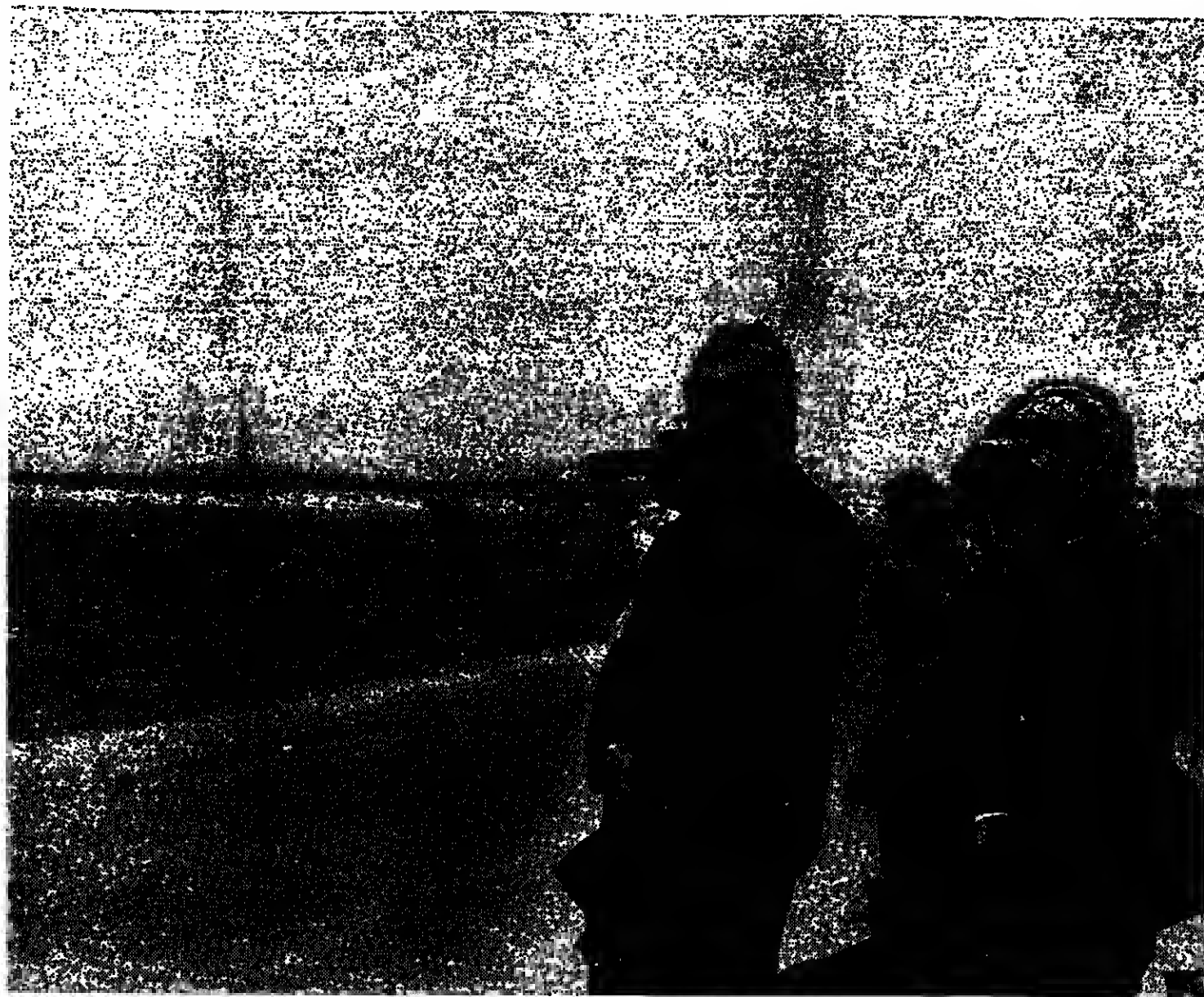
Confusion develops, and is aggravated when it turns out that the lift has been recently installed and has not yet been disciplined to stop at the floor indicated. There is amusement, and some irritation, as the tourists in twos and threes go sailing up and down while the lift stops arbitrarily at this floor or at that, and sometimes in between the two.

Gradually the confusion is resolved. The hotel staff mop up bathrooms which are flooded and remove cigarette packets and waste paper from the bedrooms. A boy is dispatched to the sink to buy towels, which seem to have been overlooked when the hotel was being equipped. An agreeable smell of roasting fish permeates the air and before long the tourists, overcoming their initial apprehensions, are settling down to dinner. Their appetites are sharpened by the sense that they have faced and survived an adventure.

And so in a way they have, for package tourism in the Western style is a new phenomenon in this part of the world. Whether it will catch on and what its results will be in terms of its effect both on the local environment and on the relationship between the West and the Arab world, remains to be seen.

Certainly it will make a difference, and provided there is a reasonable amount of give and take on both sides, it seems that an expansion of tourism in the Arab world should have a thoroughly beneficial effect. It offers the best way of breaking through the curtain of unfamiliarity and ignorance which has done so much to keep Easterners and Westerners apart.

Of course there are many pitfalls to avoid and here the experience of this kind of tourism in Europe offers warnings. Many



Cameras at the ready, the tourists near Kerak, Jordan

places in Europe have become so saturated with tourists that their essential character has been altered and vulgarized out of all recognition. Italy in particular has so much to offer to the traveller that places like Venice and Florence appear at the height of the tourist season like cities under enemy occupation. London is so overrun with tourists during the summer that its inhabitants become impatient at the sight of their streets clogged with motor coaches and their railway stations crowded with students encumbered with haversacks and camping equipment.

There are ample compensations for hoteliers and traders in the money that the tourists bring and which they spend so liberally; but the price is high in the shape of over-crowded facilities and the lowered standards which an excess of commercialism inevitably brings.

In short, tourism needs to be carefully organized if it is to produce a result satisfying to host and visitor alike. In those Arab countries where tourists in large numbers (as opposed to the wealthy

clite of the past) are only now beginning to penetrate, there is still time to avoid the mistakes which have accompanied the rapid expansion of mass tourism in Europe. There is also a tremendous opportunity to derive social and even political advantage from the development of an industry which too often is considered only as a means of earning substantial amounts of valuable foreign exchange.

I have just returned from speeding two weeks in the company of a party of North Americans touring Syria and Jordan and the experience was an intriguing one. The tourists were aware that the United States is not the most popular country in the Middle East at this moment. They were prepared for some expressions of hostility — and agreeably surprised to find that they encountered only goodwill and a universal willingness to help them.

They found the complex and outdated formalities of frontier control bewildering, but readily acknowledged that they were understandable in countries for

which war was both a recent experience and an ever-present threat. They were cautious about eating fresh salad or drinking water from the tap, but gained confidence when they saw me consuming both without apparent ill-effect. They were impressed by the luxury hotels in which they stayed in Damascus and Amman, but justifiably critical of the standards of cleanliness and especially of the plumbing in the resthouses and smaller hotels in which they stayed elsewhere in both countries. And they learned surprisingly quickly to adapt themselves to these ups and downs in the matter of physical comfort as they became increasingly fascinated and absorbed by the historical sites we took them to see everywhere from Aleppo to Aqaba.

And no wonder: There are surely no two countries of comparable size anywhere in the world that have as much to offer to the traveller as Syria and Jordan.

The glories of Islamic civilisation in Damascus, the Omayyad hunting lodges in the desert east of Amman, the citadel and the mediaeval souks of Aleppo — and

the museums in all three cities, of which my favorite is the charming little Museum of Folklore next to the Roman theater in Amman; the Byzantine churches northwest of Aleppo, and Rnsafa away to the east near the Euphrates; mysterious Petra, and Palmyra splendid in its desert setting; the forum at Jerash and the theater at Bosra, both speaking of the energy and confidence of Rome; crusader castles above the Syrian shore and in the hills overlooking the Dead Sea — and in Damascus again, the tomb of Salahuddin, who put an end to the dream of Frankish ascendancy.

All this against the constantly changing background of mountains, the desert and the sea, must set the weakest imagination alight at the thought of so many tributaries of human endeavor flowing into the great river on which all Westerners and Easterners alike, are afloat today.

For the ministries of tourism in Syria and Jordan these are assets of pure gold — and another is the instinctive attitude of hospitality with which most Arabs, especially in the country districts, welcome



The Petra Valley

the foreign visitor. Can these assets be used to provide, not just a source of income, but a more far-reaching dividend in the shape of a sympathetic understanding of Arab hopes and ambitions in the contemporary world? I am sure they can, provided that careful and imaginative thought is given to the development of tourism both as a business and — more importantly — as a means of communication.

The most effective step in this direction would be some relaxation of the stringency of visa and immigration controls. Where Syria and Jordan are concerned, these have already been simplified as the two governments have learned to cooperate in the field of tourism. But they are still time-consuming and psychologically

discouraging and it is difficult to see what useful purpose they serve.

The other suggestion which I would offer to those concerned with tourism here and elsewhere in the Arab world would be to envisage the tourist as a man (or woman) of average means and modest tastes — which is what most tourists are today. There are enough luxury hotels in most parts of the Middle East today to meet the needs of the wealthy traveller and the businessman with an expense account. There is still a shortage of smaller and less expensive hotels catering for the needs of Mr. and Mrs. Everyman, who are the mainstay of tourism in the Western world.

The Turks have been remarkably successful in providing

accommodation of this sort, where the emphasis is on simplicity and cleanliness, and tourism in Turkey has increased by leaps and bounds as a result. There is every reason to expect that the same policy would succeed just as well in the Arab world, attracting great numbers of Western visitors looking for a change from the well-worn paths of tourism in Europe.

When they come, I am sure the majority of these visitors, like the Americans I have just accompanied, will take home with them a sharpened awareness, not just of the extraordinarily varied past of an area which has so many historical links with the West, but of the ideas and aspirations which are of concern to the Arab world today. And that, for both sides, will be pure gain.

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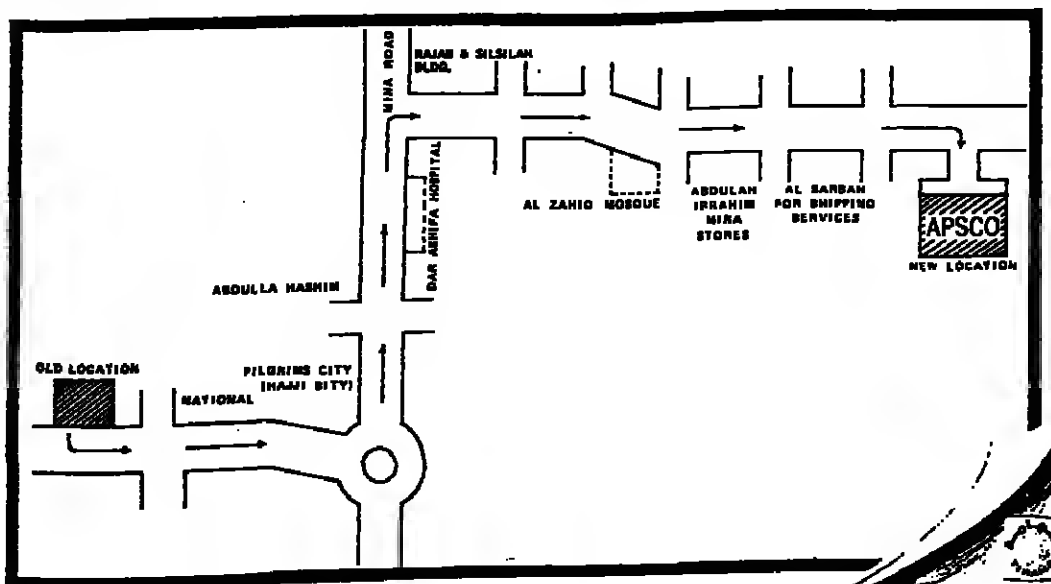
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Rescue in the Alps

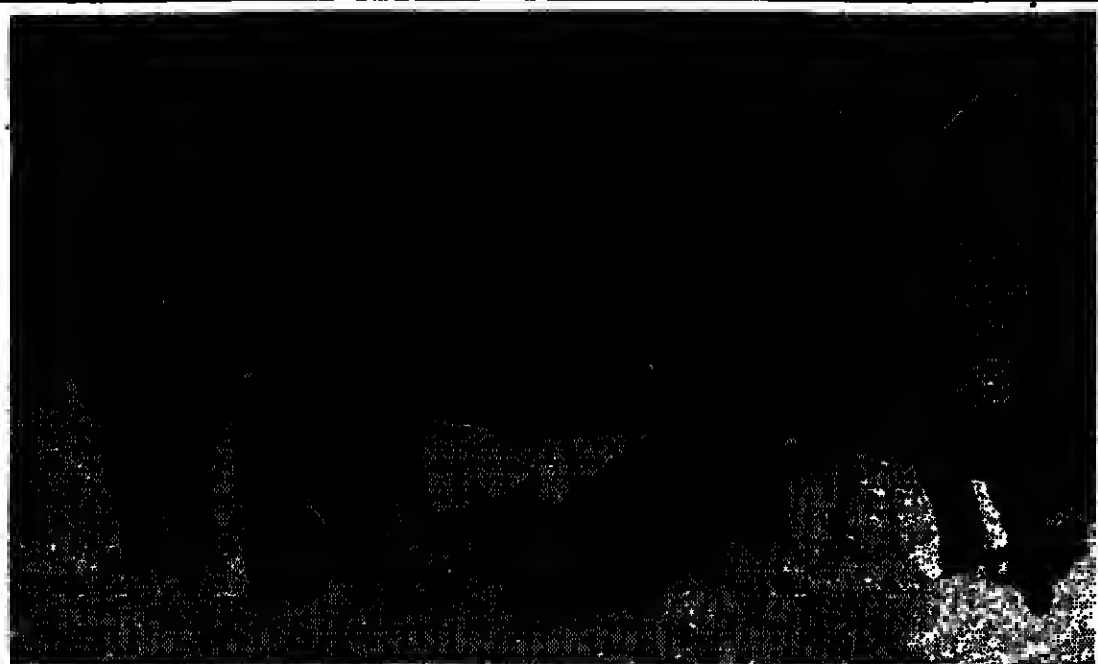
By Hans Joachim Gahl
GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, West Germany — Every year hundreds of volunteers risk their lives to save injured climbers and hikers in the German Alps. One of the volunteers on call every weekend is Hans Hibler, a 5-year-old Bavarian who has been in the Mountain Rescue Service for 30 years.

Mountain rescue work is a tradition in his family. His father and grandfather were in the service. So his own son, Hans,

Hibler senior is a masseur. He was a mountain guide until an accident during a rescue mission put him in hospital for seven months, with fractures and spinal injuries.

"My wife isn't very pleased when my son and I go out on a mission," he said. "She always worries. But you can't stop when you've been doing something so long."

Hibler, who lives in the holiday resort of Garmisch-Partenkirchen, was placed in



Success for a rescue dog



The injured man descends by "akja"

charge of rescue missions because of his experience in the mountains.

Avalanche dogs of the Bavarian Rescue Service can find people buried in up to two meters of snow. And Hibler is proud of his

work as a trainer of man-dog search teams. "I started training men and dogs for mountain rescue 27 years ago," he said. "There is no substitute for them in finding avalanche victims."

Mountain Rescue Service volunteers — they include craftsmen, postmen, doctors and students — give up their weekends, waiting in "stations," huts or mountain inns they have built themselves, for the alarm signal. During the week, paid rescue workers take over.

The training to become an Alpine rescuer takes two years.

Mountain-climbing and skiing experience is essential. Before volunteers can take the obligatory examination they must complete first-aid courses, learn how to handle the "akja" — a kind of sledge used to bring injured climbers down the snow slopes — and do in climbing training in the summer.

"You have to keep in practice to do the job," said Hibler. "Sometimes the missions are rough going. Would you voluntarily spend the night in a small tent at temperatures far below zero?" (INP)

\$ 10.5 million award after plutonium death

Victory for the Silkies

By Myrna Oliver
OKLAHOMA CITY — A Federal court jury has ordered energy conglomerate Kerr-McGee Corporation to pay \$ 10.5 million to the child of its late employee Karen Silkwood for its negligence in her 1974 off-site plutonium contamination.

The verdict was the first in the United States in a suit alleging contamination by plutonium outside a nuclear facility.

It was considered a significant warning to the nuclear industry that it must do more to safeguard the public from radioactive materials than merely meet safety standards set by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Silkwood supporters, known as "Silkies" here, applauded loudly in the courtroom when the verdict was read Friday. Silkwood Attorney Gerald L. Spence blew kisses to the six-member jury. Karen Silkwood's mother, Merle, fought back tears.

Bill M. Silkwood, father of the dead plutonium plant laboratory technician and the administrator of her estate, who sat stoically through the 12-week trial, said after the tense 12-minute court session: "I'm glad it's over. I think we had a very fair jury and I think it vindicated Karen."

Kerr-McGee Corp. attorney William Paul said he would ask within ten days for a new trial or for U.S. District Judge Frank T. Davis to set aside the jury's verdict on grounds that "the scope of the evidence admitted by the court was so broad and wide and unrelated to the issues it was prejudicial" and because of Davis' instructions to jurors, including one on the meaning of personal injury.

"Of course, I am disappointed and more than that I am shocked and dismayed about it," Paul, 49, said, slumping slightly after the verdict. "I just don't see how the evidence could support it."

Showing his delight, Spence, 50, the Wyoming lawyer who represented the Silkwood family, told news media the verdict means "truth is cheaper than fiction and the American people have a chance to survive."

"Six people (the jury) say the government standards are baloney ... that they don't protect the American people," Spence said.

Asked about his new fee, the flamboyant trial lawyer, who called the case the "capstone" of his 27 years in courtrooms, said that had not yet been decided. He is said to have agreed to handle the case for an undisclosed fee to be paid by "Silkie" fund-raising groups, but is now negotiating with his co-counsel to get a percentage of the award. Contingency fees, or the usual method of payment in such cases, normally range from 30 per cent to 40 per cent of the judgment.

Arthur Angel, Daniel Sheehan and James Ikard, the other Silkwood attorneys, had handled the case "pro bono" or without fee, asking only payment for their expenses.

Karen Silkwood, 28, a divorced mother of three, died in a one-car crash on November 13, 1974, one week after her contamination, by radioactivity at her apartment. At the time of the auto accident, she was apparently on her way to give a "New York Times" reporter documents showing faulty welds on the plutonium fuel rods manufactured at the Cimarron plant,

where she worked, for use in nuclear reactors.

Such documents were never found.

The Cimarron facility ceased production and went on stand-by status in late 1975 after its contract expired.

The money from the verdict will benefit Silkwood's three children, Beverly Meadows, 12, Michael Meadows, 10, and Dawn Meadows, 8, of Addington, Okla.

The amount awarded by the jury included \$ 10 million punitive damages, \$ 500,000 actual damages for Silkwood's physical injury and concern about potential death from cancer from the time of her contamination until she died a week later. It also includes \$ 5,000 (an amount agreed on by lawyers during the trial) for the property Kerr-McGee Corp. technicians took from Silkwood's suburban Edmond apartment to decontaminate after 310,000 of a gram of plutonium was found in her bathroom and kitchen.

Jurors, who deliberated a total of 21 hours after ten weeks of testimony, indicated late Thursday afternoon that they had rejected the company's defense that Silkwood intentionally took the plutonium from the Cimarron plutonium plant and contaminated herself — the first question they were told to address — when they sent a note to Judge Davis seeking further explanation of "physical injury."

Had they accepted the defense, they had been told to debate no further questions, including those on how badly Silkwood was harmed by the radiation exposure and how much the actual damages and punitive damages might be. (LAT)



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Second Invitation to Shareholders to attend An Extraordinary General Meeting

In the absence of the quorum necessary for the validity of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Bank called for 23 Jumada al Thania 1399 (19 May 1979) the Board of Directors have the pleasure to invite shareholders to attend a second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be held on Saturday 21 Rajab 1399 (16 June 1979) at 5.30 p.m. at the Head Office of the Bank, Binzagr Building, King Abdulaziz Street, Jeddah.

The following agenda is to be considered:

(1) To approve the transfer of the Head Office of the Bank to Riyadh.
(2) To amend Article (4) of the Bank's Articles of Association to read as follows:
"The Head Office of the Company shall be at Riyadh. It may be transferred to any other place in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in accordance with a resolution approved at a General Meeting. The Board of Directors of the Company may establish branches or agencies or subsidiaries in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and abroad and may appoint correspondents at such places in the Kingdom and abroad as may be necessary or convenient for conducting the operations of the Company, subject always to due observance of the relevant rules and regulations in force in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia."

(3) To increase the Bank's Share Capital from Saudi Riyals one hundred million (SR 100,000,000) to Saudi Riyals three hundred million (SR 300,000,000) by issuing (2,000,000) two million shares of Saudi Riyals one hundred (SR 100) each payable in full in cash upon subscription and to empower the Board of Directors to make the necessary arrangements for the implementation of such Resolution with due observance of Article 13 of the Bank's Articles of Association.

(4) To amend Article 6 of the Bank's Articles of Association to read as follows:
"The Share Capital of the Company shall be Saudi Riyals three hundred million (SR 300,000,000), divided into (3,000,000) three million shares of equal nominal value of Saudi Riyals one hundred (SR 100) each, all of which will be ordinary and cash shares, and all of which shall rank pari passu as one class in all respects. The Company shall have power to alter, by increasing or reducing its capital subject to the provisions contained in these articles, the Companies Law, the Banking Control Law and any other applicable laws and regulations."

According to Article 39 of the Bank's Articles of Association, the second meeting shall be valid if attended by a number of shareholders representing at least one quarter of the share capital. According to Article 32 of the Bank's Articles of Association each shareholder holding title to at least two shares shall have the right to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting. The shareholder has the right to delegate another shareholder who is not a Director to attend the Meeting and to vote on the Resolutions taken thereat. The wording of the required proxy is hereinafter given.

The Shareholder who will attend the Meeting has to bring his Identity Card and the letter of allotment addressed to him by the Bank, to identify himself and to establish the quantity of shares he owns or owned by the Shareholder or Shareholders whom he represents.

Shareholders wishing to attend the Meeting are requested to register their names and the number of shares they own or represent at the Bank's Head Office in Jeddah within the two days preceding the Meeting. The Shareholder who is doing so shall be given his Voting Card.

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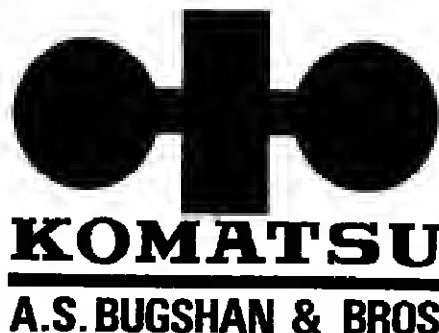
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Auto racing starts feeling the energy chill

By Paul Treuthardt

MONTE CARLO, May 16 (AP) — The oil crisis seems far away from the opulent world of the Monaco Grand Prix.

Echoes of California's gas rationing are all but drowned out here by the thunder of six-mile-per-gallon, 500-horsepower race cars pounding through Casino Square and on past needle-nosed, gas-guzzling speedboats and the racing yacht-palaces of millionaires where muted generators keep the air conditioning and gamblers going non-stop.

The Grand Prix world is starting, in informal discussions, to consider the threat to its \$30-million-plus industry, and to consider its defense.

"We're an industry like any other," says World Champion Mario Andretti. "I make my living racing and so do thousands of other people. If there had been an across-the-board cutback of 10 per cent, then we should have along with it. But there is no such thing as a free lunch, and we should be put completely out of business any more than a steelworker or a baker."

"It's not only a threat to auto racing," said Andretti. "There's a threat to power boating, private fishing and other leisure activities. There also are professions for hundreds of thousands of workers. All that out, and what's left is eating, sleeping and working. It's not reasonable."

He said he thought that in the United States, "President Carter would be objective and will recognize the facts."

Edward Ecclestone, head of the Formula One Constructors' Association which groups all top teams, said a first step would be to cut out one of the two qualifying sessions before each Grand Prix, and possibly shorten



GAS-GUZZLER: World Champion Mario Andretti, at the wheel of his Lotus, waits for the start of trials for the Belgian Grand Prix at Zolder earlier this month.

the races themselves. As a driver Andretti said there was no problem in cutting qualifying.

But like many others in the sport, Ecclestone argues that motor racing consumes only an

infinitesimal quantity of gasoline on a world scale.

"A jumbo crossing the Atlantic uses as much as the whole 16-race Grand Prix season," he said.

Colin Chapman, owner of the

Lotus team for which Andretti drives, pointed out that crowd going to one major football game may use as much gasoline as the whole racing effort.

Chapman believes the technical contribution of racing to automotive development "far outweighs the piddling amount of fuel we use."

Chapman would like to see it go further. "I would like a new formula for Grand Prix racing that puts more stress on fuel economy — no engine size limits but a formula that limits the rate at which an engine can burn fuel."

"If we went racing that way — and I think it should be the next formula — then all the technological effort and brains and development time that goes into Formula One could then be used to develop more efficient forms of energy use."

Ferraris take front row

South African Jody Scheckter snatched pole position for Sunday's race from his Ferrari teammate Canadian Gilles Villeneuve in final qualifying Saturday.

Scheckter took the pole spot with a flying lap of 1 min. 26.45 sec., an average speed for the circuit of 85.64 mph.

The 1978 Victor, Patrick Depailler, got his Ligier on the second row ahead of Niki Lauda of Austria in a Brabham Alfa with the second Ligier of Jacques Laffite in fifth spot.

Bleated field for Indy

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. May 26 (AP) — The U.S. Auto Club decided Friday once again to reopen qualifications for Sunday's Indianapolis 500 to 11 cars bumped from the field after a last-day rules clarification in the final weekend of time trials.

The unprecedented special qualifying session was to be held Saturday morning, the day before the \$1 million race. The last time more than 33 cars started the race was in 1933, when 42 started.

USAC had upheld appeals of racing teams that claimed the rules clarification on the size of turbocharger exhaust pipes gave their competitors an unfair advantage on the final day of qualifying.

Thursday, a USAC proposal to reopen qualifying was abandoned when two drivers refused to sign a waiver that would have allowed more than the traditional 33 cars to start the race. They have now agreed as there will be no reduction in prize money.

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Otis leads Royals past Twins

NEW YORK, May 26 (AP) — Otis had three hits and was in two runs including the winner in the ninth inning, as Kansas City Royals nipped Minnesota Twins, 4-3 Friday.

is doubled off loser Mike Hall, to score Willie Wilson, led off the ninth with his triple of the game. The light-colored Wilson, who also had three hits, tripled to left with the runner Paul Splittorff, 7-3, scored 10 hits and gave up two

earned runs before needing last-out help from Al Hrabos, who earned his fifth save.

In other American League action, Ross Baumgarten allowed one hit in eight innings — Bobby Grich's leadoff double in the seventh — and Lamar Johnson drove in four runs for the second consecutive game to lead the Chicago White Sox to a 6-1 victory over the California Angels.

Gorman Thomas slugged home the winning run with two out in the eighth inning and lifted the Milwaukee Brewers to a 3-2 victory over the Oakland A's.

Other Results American League

Seattle 3-5, Texas 2-3
Boston at Toronto, ppd., rain
New York at Cleveland, ppd., rain
Baltimore at Detroit, ppd., rain

National League

St. Louis at Montreal, ppd., rain
Pittsburgh 3, New York 3, 11 innings, ppd., fog
Chicago 3, Philadelphia 0
San Diego 2, Houston 1, 10 innings
Los Angeles 17, Cincinnati 6
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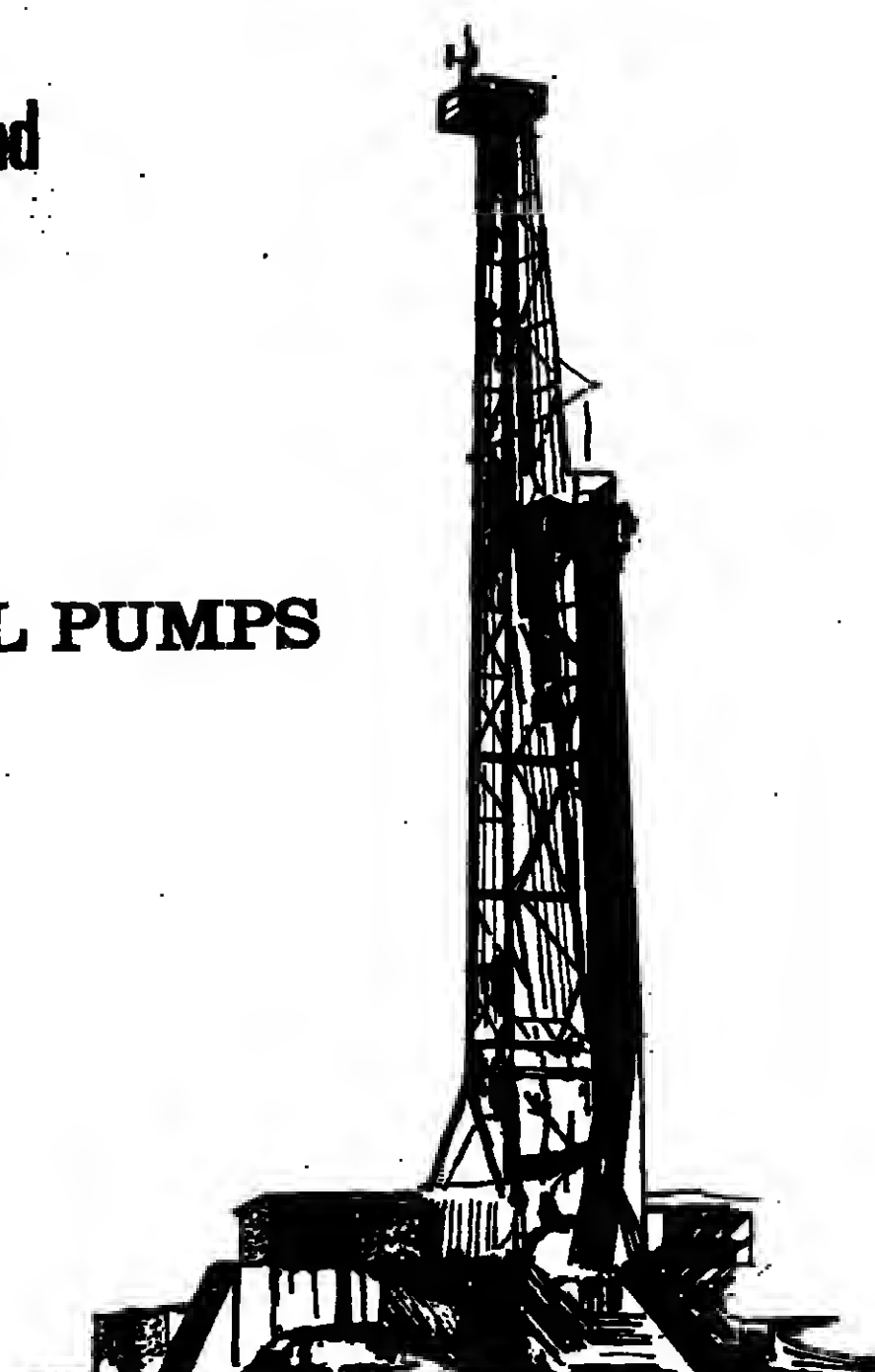
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Watson alone avoids bogey as gales wreck Ohio field

DISLIN, Ohio, May 26 (AP) — Tom Watson, the year's leading money-winner and gunning for a fourth title of the season, said: "I didn't make many mistakes. It's not to look at all the trouble out there. But I combated it pretty well."

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because of the howling winds.

Watson's round under the conditions, was little short of unbelievable. He missed only two greens and got it up and down on both of those holes. Only on the 12th was he in real danger of making a bogey, but holed a 10-foot putt for par.

He coaxed in one from about 30 feet for birdie on the fifth hole, scored from 10 feet on the eighth and closed out his round with a seven-iron putt to feel for a closing birdie on the 18th hole.

And in Corning, N.Y. Judy Rankin also birdied the 18th hole Friday and tied Susan O'Connor for the lead after two rounds of another rain-plagued tournament, the 100,000 LPGA Corning classic. She ended with a 31-hole total of 142, two strokes over par on the Corning Country Club layout.

Wales flops to 1-1 draw in Belfast

BELFAST, May 26 (R) — Wales, until Friday night the success of the British soccer championships, three times came within the width of post or bar of defeat at the hands of Northern Ireland, in earlier matches a big flop, when they completed their program here.

A Robbie James goal 27 minutes from the end gave Wales a 1-1 draw, a result which means that England could win the title by beating Scotland in the final match at Wembley Saturday.

Already Friday, London had ground to a standstill as Scottish soccer fans took over the city center, staged impromptu sing-songs in Piccadilly Circus, and forced shops and joints in the night-life district of Soho to close for the day.

Most were planning not to open Saturday.

Friday, just a minute into play, a pass by captain Bryan Hamilton allowed Derek Spence to volley the Irish into the lead. Later Spence hit the post and halftime substitute Tom Sloan and Jimmy Nicholl hit the Welsh bar. For long stretches, the visitors were out-

clashed. Against the run of play, James chested down a Byron Stevenson free kick and beat the unsighted Pat Jennings. Both sides almost snatched a late winner, James hitting the Irish post in the final minute.

Welsh manager Mike Smith said later: "It was one hell of a match but for most of the first half we were a yard too slow and we only started playing 10 minutes from half time."

"But we are unbeaten in three games. Not many teams can come back from being a goal down after 60 seconds in Belfast."

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Vilas overcomes Panatta in Rome Open

ROME, May 26 (AP) — Top-seeded Guillermo Vilas of Argentina started and finished strongly, surviving two match points, and beat local idol Adriano Panatta, 6-1, 6-7, 7-5, Friday to advance to the semifinals of the \$200,000 Italian Open tennis championships along with three Americans.

Vilas plays unseeded Gene Mayer in Saturday's semifinals. Mayer ousted countryman Terry Moor, 7-6, 6-3, in a battle of underdogs.

Mayer, was suffering from an upset stomach, organizers said, which forced him to withdraw from his doubles match and raised doubts about his presence on the court Saturday.

Second-seeded Vitas Gerulaitis had more problems than expected in his 6-4, 6-2, triumph over young Gianni Occhipinti of Italy. It took the American star four games to gain control of his service, and then the match for Occhipinti was over.

Vilas appeared headed to an

easy victory over Panatta, but then the Italian took the tie-breaker, 7-5, to win the second set and continued placing his service effectively, jumping to a 4-2 lead in the third set. Vilas rallied with his baseline steadiness and managed to tie the score 4-4 only to see the Italian take the lead again.

In the Gerulaitis-Occhipinti match, the American had taken a 3-0 lead, but then Occhipinti came back at 4-4 as the American blew a shot for a 5-2 lead.

Gerulaitis rarely managed to put his first service shot over the net and at one instance he slammed his racket against his leg and shouted "just once" as his service went into the net. The American, though, regained his steadiness, took the first set, 6-4, and then rolled to a 6-2 victory in the second.

Berlin event reaches semis

In Berlin Friday, Regina Marsikova of Czechoslovakia, Australian Evonne Goolagong, American Caropine Stoll and Virginia Ruzici of Romania gained quarterfinal victories in the Berlin International Women's Tennis Championships Friday.

The sixth-seeded Marsikova upset second-seeded Australian Kerry Reid, 7-5, 6-7, 6-2 and will meet the fourth-seeded Goolagong, a 6-1, 7-5 winner over Czechoslovakia's Renate Tomanova.

"I have never beaten Evonne before," said the 20-year-old



PANATTA: Held on wall before the home crowd but fell in the end to Vilas' steadiness.

Marsikova after defeating the 31-year-old Reid. "But this is my best surface and she hasn't been playing that much so I think I have a chance. Anyway, I have nothing to lose."

The unseeded Stoll, 19, who upset top-seeded Wendy Turnbull in the first round, also advanced to the semifinals with a 7-6, 6-4 victory over seventh-seeded Mima Jansovec of Yugoslavia.

Tehran militias quell soccer riot; games suspended

TEHRAN, May 26 (AP) — Iranian authorities have suspended professional soccer games in Tehran after a riot at the city's Amjadieh Stadium that left several fans in hospital, newspapers reported Saturday.

The riot broke out Friday when two of Tehran's most popular teams, Esteghlal and Bank Melli, refused to come out of their locker rooms in a dispute over how the teams would share ticket income.

The 20,000 spectators grew restive and fistfights erupted, the reports said. Some irate spectators headed for the locker rooms but officials managed to keep them from entering.

The riot ended with the arrival of groups of revolutionary militia, who fired automatic weapons into the air.

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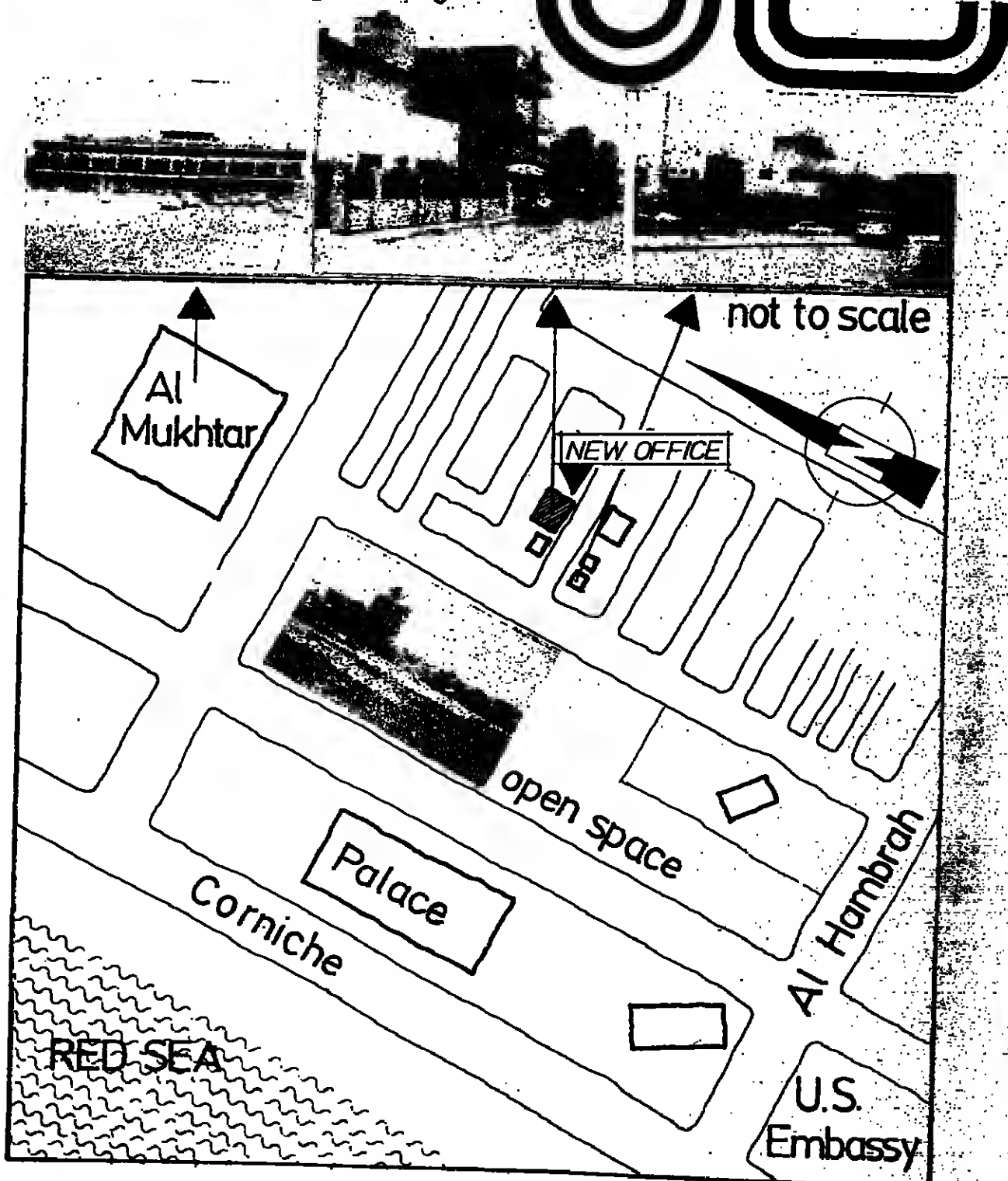
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Heavy crude seen as key alternate source of energy

UNITED NATIONS, May 26 (AP) — Heavy crude oil, plentiful but formerly too costly to refine, is emerging as an important energy alternative to high priced conventional oil, a U.N. energy specialist reported Friday.

Joseph Barnea, of the U.N. Institute for Training and Research, said the rise in oil prices, now above \$14 a barrel, makes heavy crude worth refining.

The good news for users of

gasoline and heating oil, he told a news conference at U.N. headquarters, is that the world has at least two to three times as much heavy crude as conventional crude oil and maybe substantially more.

Heavy crude is sticky, low-grade petroleum that is harder to extract from the ground than free-flowing conventional crude and more difficult to refine.

In the days of cheap oil, companies had little interest in prospecting for heavy crude and

reserves are untested in many parts of the world.

Estimates of heavy crude and tar sand resources in just three countries — the United States, Canada and Venezuela — exceed five trillion barrels, Barnea said.

Other countries with indications of substantial heavy crude and tar sand resources, he said, are Peru, Argentina, Angola, Malaysia, the Soviet Union, Romania, France, Albania, Trinidad, and Nigeria.

Only last year were announced heavy crude finds in the North Sea off the British coast and in the Adriatic Sea off the coast of Italy. In addition, Barnea said, many developing countries are likely to have heavy crude deposits since they occur in most sedimentary basins around the world.

Barnea said new technologies being developed to handle heavy crude and sand tars would be discussed at an international conference to be held in Edmonton, Canada, July 4-12. The conference is organized by the U.N. Institute, the U.S. Department of Energy and the government of the Canadian province of Alberta.

Qatar, Nigeria increase crude oil sales premiums

DOHA, May 26 (R) — Qatar has raised the price of exported oil by another 80 cents a barrel back-dated to May 17, Petroleum Minister Sheikh Abdul Aziz bin Khalifa Al-Thani said Saturday.

Qatar, one of OPEC's smallest producers with a daily average of about 500,000 barrels, thus joined the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait and Iran in raising the oil premium.

Qatar price is \$2.60 a barrel above the rates set by OPEC.

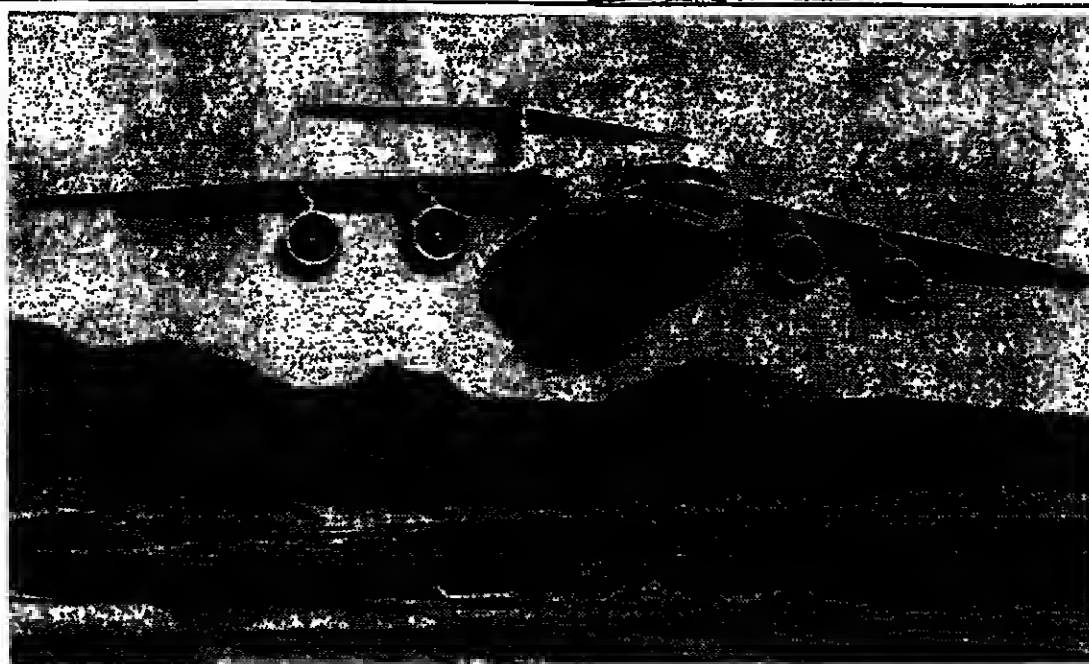
Iran and Kuwait recently raised their premiums by 60 cents a barrel and the UAE 80 cents.

Meanwhile, Nigeria has raised the price of its crude oil by between \$2.40 and \$2.45 a barrel, effective May 16, the trade newsletter "Petroleum Intelligence Weekly" said Friday in New York.

The increase brought the price of the country's light crude oil to \$20.96 a barrel, among the highest in the world for oil sold by contract for export.

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs	Temporary asphaltting of some rural roads in Hota Beni Tamim	26-97/98	1000	July 3
" " "	Fencing of Basiri graveyards in Qassim	"	200	July 7
" " "	Fencing of Al-Amr graveyard in Al-Namas	"	300	July 8
" " "	Fencing of Haradah graveyard in Al-Aflaj	"	300	July 9
" " "	Fencing of graveyard in Dahna village in Bish	"	200	July 10
" " "	Constructing of lavatory and a washhouse for the dead in Sajar	108-98/99	500	July 14
" " "	Temporary asphaltting of some roads in Sajar	26-97/98	1000	July 15
" " "	Temporary asphaltting of a village in Hail	109-98/99	700	July 16



SHORTTRANGE: British Aerospace is currently developing the "146" jet, and hopes to have it ready for service in 1982. The plane would carry 70 to 100 passengers, have low fuel consumption, and would be able to operate from airfields with unpaved runways.

Wall Street week:

Margin trading prompts worries

NEW YORK, May 26 (AP) — The use of borrowed money in the stock market is on the rise again, prompting some concern among analysts.

Total "margin debt" — loans outstanding from brokers using securities as collateral — has climbed in each of the past three months, according to New York Stock Exchange figures.

It reached \$12.2 billion at the end of April — not far short of the record high of \$12.4 billion set last year, just before a steep decline in stock prices that came to be known as the "October massacre."

In that two-week slide, the Dow Jones average of 30 industrials fell more than 90 points. And brokers reported that forced selling as a result of "margin calls" was a

major factor in the latter stages of the decline.

This forced selling can occur whenever the price of the stock or stocks used as collateral on a margin loan declines below a specified level.

At that point, the broker notifies the borrower that he must put up additional collateral, such as stock or cash. If the borrower is unable or unwilling to comply, the broker then must sell enough stock to bring the account back within legal limits.

At present the margin requirement, as set by the Federal Reserve, is 50 per cent. In other words, an investor can borrow up to half the purchase price when he buys a stock.

The margin requirement has

been at that level since early 1974, when the Fed reduced it from 65 per cent. If only because it hasn't been changed for such an unusually long period, there has been some scattered conjecture lately that the central bank might soon raise it.

"Any change, given the current level of margin debt, would have to be up," the brokerage firm First Albany Corp. of Albany, New York, observed.

But several analysts expressed doubt late last week that such a move was in the offing, noting that margin-requirement increases usually come when stock prices are high amid heavy speculative activity. By most any measure, stock prices currently are not high at all.

Dow down 1.29

Stocks mixed in active trading

NEW YORK, May 26 — The Dow Jones Industrial Average remained negative throughout Friday as stocks were mixed in moderately active trading. At the close the Dow had lost 1.29, transports gained 1.27, and utilities added .60. Volume of trading for the day was 27.9 million shares. Breadth was on the positive side as advances led decliners by 278 issues. The American Exchange Index closed up 2.36 to 185.45.

Among the most active, Ashland Oil down 1 1/4, to 41 1/4, NIT up 1 1/2 to 50 1/2, Intercity up 1/4 to 45, Radian Electric jumped 12 1/2 on news of Exxon proposal to buy at 72 a share, Reserve Oil and Gas advanced 1 1/2 to 19, and First Mississippi up 1 to 16 1/4. Growth and glamour followed the Dow with Abbott Labs off 1/4 to 32 1/4, Merck up 1/4 to 64, SmithKline gained 1/2 to 62, IBM unchanged at 306 3/4, Hewlett Packard up 1/2 to 95 1/4, Texas Inst. gained 1 1/2 to 87. Among the energy issues, Mobil up 1 1/4 to 44 1/4, Phillips up 1/2 to 37 1/4, Halliburton gained 1/2 to 67 1/4, Mobil down 1/4 to 74 1/4, and Magco up 1 to 30 1/4. In the basic industry sector, DuPont down 1/2 to 130 1/4, Allied Harvesters off 1 1/4 to 38 1/4. Aerospace, airlines and rails turned in a positive performance with Raytheon up 2 1/4 to 45, Boeing gained 1/2 to 11 1/4, and McDonnell Douglas up 1 1/4 to 50 1/4. Electrical equipment and metals were on the negative side with GE off 1/4 to 49 1/4, Reynolds off 1/4 to 34, and St. Joe Minerals down 1/4 to 25 1/4. Precious metals turned in a positive performance with ASA up 1/4 to 27 1/4, Campbell Rod Lake gained 1/2 to 39 1/4, and Dome Mines advanced 1 1/4 to 110 1/4. The price of gold on the Toronto exchange closed at \$270.00. Supplied by Merrill Lynch International P.O. Box 2359 Suite of Suburban Tel (609) 258-6641

UNCTAD stalemated on trade barriers against Third World

MANILA, May 26 (R) — Negotiations on trade protectionism at the U.N. Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) in Manila have run into a stalemate which some delegates believe will not be resolved at the meeting.

Barriers erected by some of the world's rich nations against manufactured or semi-manufactured goods from the developing world have been a focal point of the month-long conference during its first three weeks.

The poor nations complain bitterly that just as they are beginning to break through competitively in their industrialization, artificial barriers are being put up to protect less efficient industries struggling to survive in the developed world.

Textiles is one industry most often cited. Others include steel, shipbuilding and car assembly, which Third World nations believe could be more sensibly left to them and allowed to die out in countries where they are no longer economic.

Another claim is that subsidies are being paid by developed countries to some of their industries or workers which artificially keep them competitive with the Third World.

Although developed nations defend their right to protect struggling industries with temporary barriers while jobs are redistributed to avoid damaging social consequences, it is not on this aspect of the issue that the conference is least likely to reach an agreed position, delegates say.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Opening Saturday	SAMA rate	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.40	3.41	3.41
Pound Sterling	6.98	7.00	6.98
Deutsche Mark (100)	178.00	178.00	177.75
Swiss F (100)	196.00	197.00	196.30
French F (100)	77.00	77.00	76.75
Italian Lira (1000)	4.00	4.02	3.99
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	105.25	104.63
Syrian Lira (100)	—	77.00	87.50
Egyptian Pound	—	4.65	4.60
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.20	12.20
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.13	11.10
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	87.50	88.70
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	91.00	90.55
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.89	8.81
Iranian Riyal (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	74.75	74.75
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	77.00	87.50
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	—	41.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	34.55
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	—
Gold kg	—	29,100	—
10 Tolas bar	—	3,400	—
Silver kg bar	—	1,000	—
Japanese yen (100)	1.55	—	—
Canadian dollar	2.94	—	—
Belgian franc (10)	1.10	—	—
Dutch gilder	1.63	—	—

SAMA rates announced by the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency, based on average rates on the Loodoo money market and the official price of the U.S. dollar.

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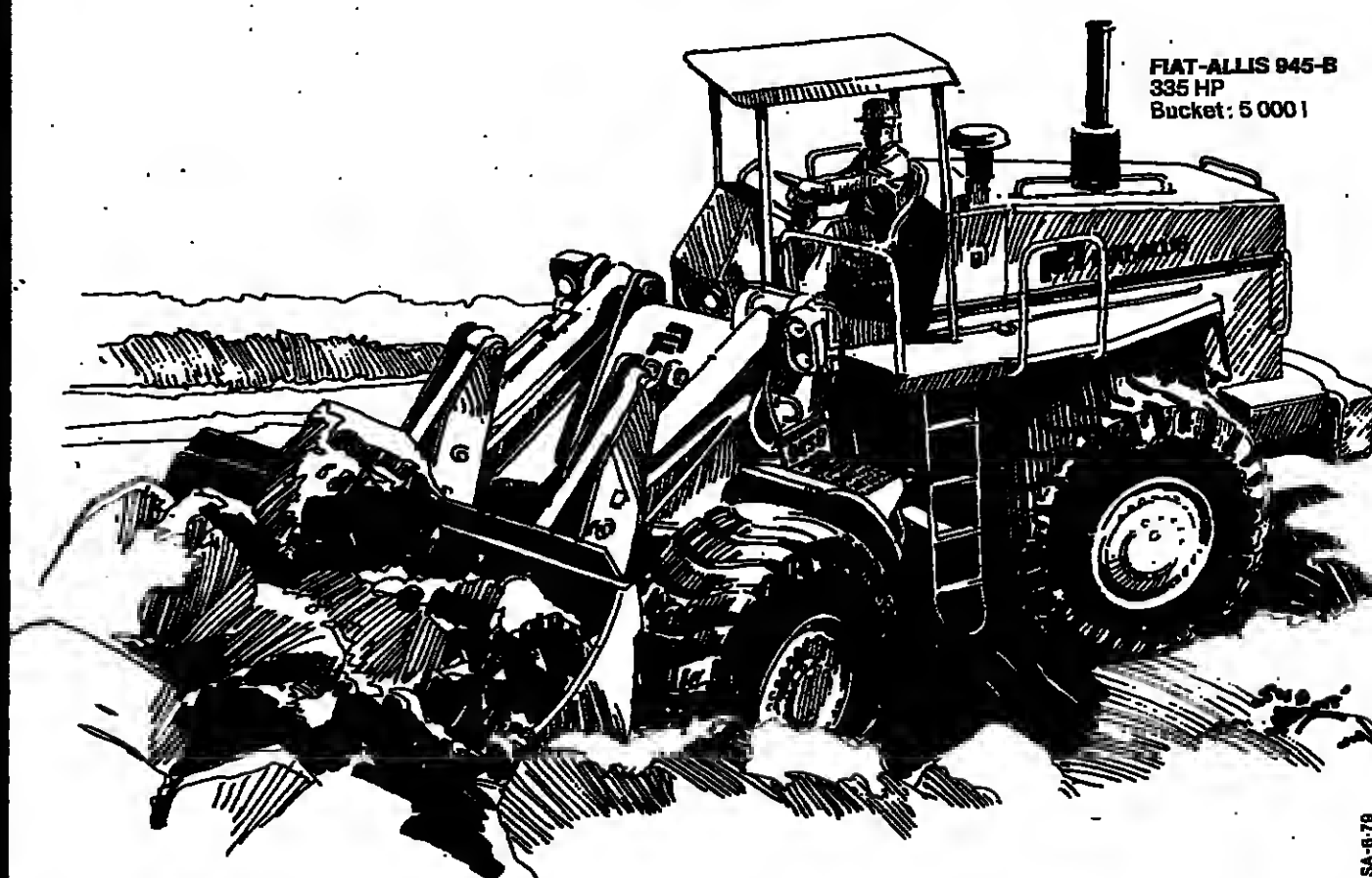
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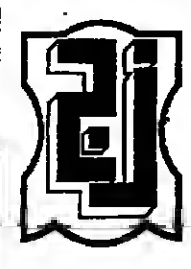
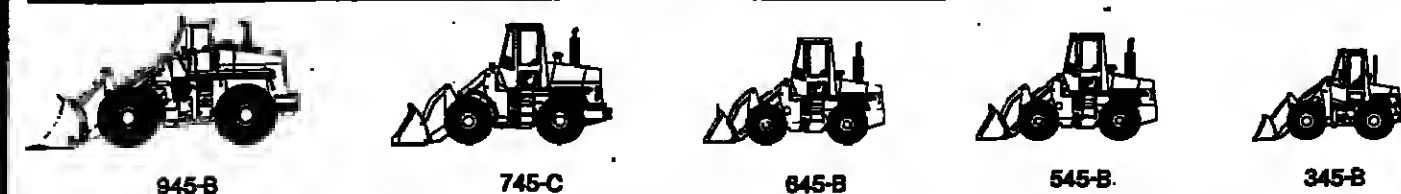
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Middle East Shipping Information
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ROME, May 26 (R) — The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) will lend North Yemen \$12 million to expand farmland on the Red Sea coast by nearly 100 per cent, a spokesman announced Friday. IFAD, a Rome-based international aid agency financed by industrial and oil-producing nations, said the loan had no interest and only a one per cent service charge and was repayable in 50 years starting in ten years time. The IFAD aid is part of an \$87.6 million irrigation project increasing by 22,000 hectares the farmland now under cultivation on the Yemen coast to a total of 48,000 hectares, the spokesman said. It should increase the income of the poor farmers there, now estimated at \$160 per person a year, he added.

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DATE: 30.6.1399/26.5.1979
TIME: 0700 HRS.

Vessels Working	Name of the Ship	Agent	Type of cargo	Arrival Date
1	KHALI STAR	SOEASIA	FROZEN CHICKEN	25.5.79
2	MANNHEIM	ORRI	LUMBER	22.5.79
3	MARIYA	ORRI	GENERAL	20.5.79
5	JILFAR	KANOO	GENERAL/CONTAINERS	24.5.79
7	TAISUN	SEA	GENERAL	22.5.79
10	NOVIGRAD (2ND CALL)	REZAYAT	GENERAL	25.5.79
15	WAKATAKE MARU	ALIREZA	CONTS/GENERAL	25.5.79
17	IBN AL ABBAR	KANOO	GENERAL	22.5.79
19	CROWNA	GOSAIBI	C.CEMENT IN BAGS	23.5.79
20	ARABIAN LULUAH	BARBER	CEMENT SILO VESSEL	28.10.79
24	OCEAN STRENGTH	AET	GENERAL/CONTAINERS	25.5.79
38	SHOHAKU MARU	GOSAIBI	C.CEMENT IN BAGS	20.5.79

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PRIMAVERA	SMC	BULK CEMENT	14.5.79
AEGIS SONIC	ALSAADA	GENERAL	23.5.79

2-RECENT ARRIVALS

DANA OPTIMA	ALSAADA	TO LOAD EMPTY CONTS	24.5.79
HISHO MARU	KANOO	GEN/STEEL PRODUCTS	24.5.79
KHALIJ STAR	SOEASIA	FROZEN CHICKEN	25.5.79
RABENFELS	ALIREZA	RO-RO/CONTAINERS	25.5.79
WAKATAKE MARU	ALIREZA	CONTS/GENERAL	25.5.79
STRATHMAY	KANOO	GEN/CONTS./REEFER	25.5.79
STRATHFYNE	KANOO	GENERAL	24.5.79
JILFAR	KANOO	GEN/CONTAINERS	24.5.79
TAMANO	BARBER	GEN/CONTS	25.5.79
OCEAN STRENGTH	AET	GEN/CONTS	25.5.79
NOVIGRAD (2ND CALL)	REZAYAT	GENERAL	25.5.79

3- VESSELS EXPECTED WITH IN 24 HOURS

HUGO OLDENDORFF	ALI REZA
TOSOTIS	ORRI
CAPE PRIDE	GOSAIBI
BORDATXO	GOSAIBI
TIMI	AET
MERZARIO	AET
HISPANIA	
RENTON EVERETT	ORRI
NADA	BARBER
HAN GARAM	OCE

4 - TONNAGES DISCHARGED: (FREIGHT TONS): 82,927

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1-VESSELS DISCHARGING BERTH VESSEL	AGENT	CARGO	ARR.DATE
1 A --	--	--	--
2 JINSEN MARU	ALIREZA	VEHICLES	24/5/79
3 --	--	--	--
4 --	--	--	--
5 --	--	--	--
6 --	--	--	--
7 LETABA	STAR	CITRUS FRUITS	25/5/79
8 --	--	--	--
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11 --	--	--	--
12 --	--	--	--
13 BRUNELLA	REDSEA	GENERAL/IRON/CONTAINERS	24/5/79
14 --	--	--	--
15 --	--	--	--
16 --	--	--	--
17 --	--	--	--
18 FOUR FLAGS	ROLACO	BULK CEMENT	24/5/79
19 GERARO L.D.	ALSABAH	BULK CEMENT	23/5/79
20 ELI II	A. A.	BAGGED CEMENT	13/5/79
21 PANAGHIA ELEOUSA	A. A.	BAGGED WHITE CEMENT	24/5/79
22 --	--	--	--
23 PANAGHIA SPILIANI	ELHAWI	BAGGED CEMENT	24/5/79
24 FILIPPINAS SAUDI 1	S.A.M.A.	ACCOMMODATION SHIP	--
25 --	--	--	--
26 --	--	--	--
27 --	--	--	--
28 KYROS	SADAKA	TILES/MARBLE	24/5/79
29 HOUDA STAR	ALWANI	STEEL/BARLEY	22/5/79
30 SABAH 'A'	ALWANI	LOADING FLOUR	22/5/79
31 --	--	--	--
32 TENNESSEE	BARBER	CONTAINERS/LUBOIL/GENERAL	25/5/79
33 --	--	--	--
34 MASIRAH	A.E.T.	GENERAL/MEAT/FISH	18/5/79
35 --	--	--	--
36 RO RO	--	--	--
37 MERZARIO ARABIA	A.E.T.	CONTR/TRL/MARB/TRACTOR	25/5/79
38 --	--	--	--
39 --	--	--	--
2- RECENT ARRIVALS			
1 KYROS	SADAKA	TILES/MARBLE	25/5/79
2 TENNESSEE	BARBER	CONTAINERS/LUBOIL/GENERAL	25/5/79
3 ABOUDY	ELHAWI	TEXTILES/GENERAL	25/5/79
4 LETABA	STAR	25/5/79	25/5/79
5 HAALET SAUDIA	S.N.L.	TO LOAD EMPTY CONTAINERS	25/5/79
6 MUNCASTER CASTLE	A.E.T.	CONTAINERS	25/5/79
7 MERZARIO ARABIA	A.E.T.	CONTAINERS/TRAILERS/FLATS	25/5/79
8 JINSEN MARU	ALIREZA	VEHICLES	25/5/79
3- VESSELS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE WITH IN NEXT 24 HOURS			
1 CHRYSANTHI G.L.	ALSAADA	TIMBER/STEEL/GENERAL	25/5/79
2 EURABIA MOON	SHOBOKSHI	GENERAL/TILES/TOLOAD SUGAR	25/5/79
3 ATALAYA	M.T.A.	TIMBER/PAPERS/SUGAR MARBLE	25/5/79
4 HAKONE	BARBER	GENERAL/STEEL/TYRES	25/5/79
5 SAMOS STORM	O.C.E.	FRUITS	25/5/79
6 THANA VAREE	A.E.T.	CONTAINERS	25/5/79
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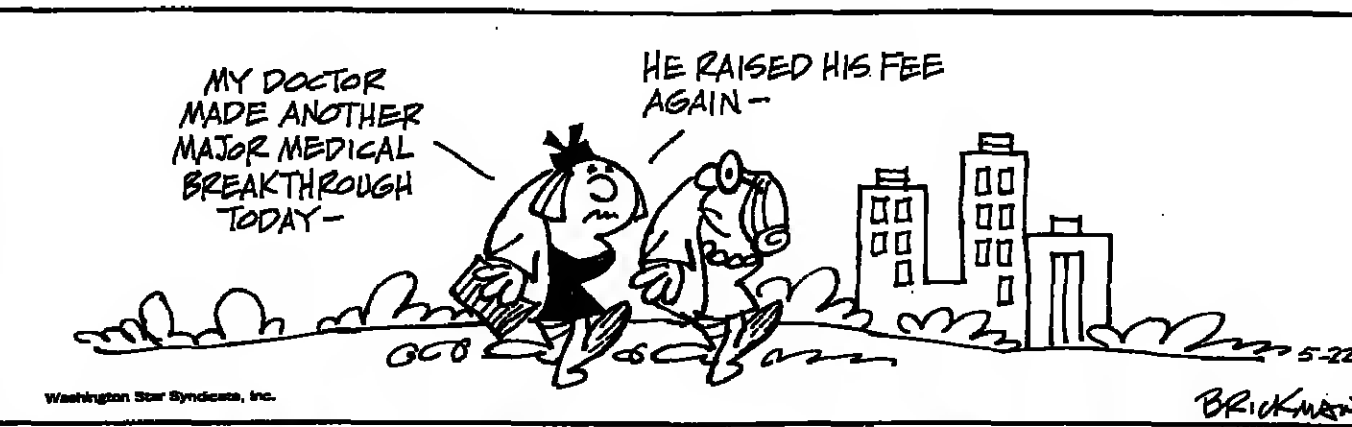
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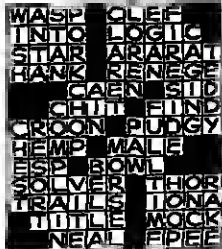
Dennis the Menace



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword by THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS
- 1 Fish
 - 5 Country house
 - 10 Knowing no evil
 - 11 Loved madly
 - 13 In a trice
 - 14 Go round
 - 15 Beaten
 - 17 Wee bird
 - 18 Work unit
 - 19 Actor
 - 20 Ely
 - 21 Stag party
 - 22 Afrikaans speaker
 - 23 Legal document
 - 25 Cold duck
 - 26 Teheran coin
 - 27 Reach bottom
 - 28 Member of a colony
 - 29 Storage container
 - 30 Loss pace
 - 31 Suffix with social
 - 34 Former
 - 36 Parting words
 - 38 Liveliness
 - 39 Show oneself
 - 41 Different
 - 41 Miscellaneous
- DOWN
- 1 Ghost
 - 2 "There is among thieves"
 - 3 Forward
 - 4 Force unit
 - 5 Leave behind
 - 6 Beauty
 - 7 Negative
 - 8 Demos
 - 9 Pensioner
 - 12 Stop from doing
 - 16 Guitar feature
 - 21 Wire measure
 - 22 Nickname for Bill
 - 23 Tiddie
 - 24 Snake
 - 25 Subside
 - 26 Hoist
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Yesterday's Answer

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it:

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

EB XHNMVRI QEBO EY JOZQRJ-
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QOYV YH RH RJO UEMS. - VNBEME
Yesterday's Cryptquote: TOO MANY PEOPLE THINK THE
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EAST

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SOUTH

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The bidding:

West North East South

2NT 2NT 3NT 3NT

4NT 4NT 5NT 5NT

6NT 6NT 7NT 7NT

Opening lead - king of hearts.

Theoretically, if both sides in a team of four match play well, most hands should end in a dead tie. But theory and practice are two altogether different animals, and comparatively few deals produce identical results at the two tables.

For a good example of what sometimes happens, consider this deal played during the 1976 World Olympiad in the match between Poland and Denmark. The Poles bid and made six spades doubled at one table for a score of 1,000 points, and defeated six diamonds doubled one trick at the other table to score another 200 points.

The bidding at the first table went peculiarly and South got to be declarer at six spades doubled. With South playing the hand, the slam could not be defeated. East North became declarer at six spades, the slam could have been defeated with a diamond lead from East. Obviously, the sun shone brightly on the South Pole that day.

The bidding at the second table, with a Danish pair now holding the North-South cards, went:

West North East South

4NT 4NT 5NT 5NT

6NT 6NT 7NT 7NT

East led a heart, ruffed by declarer, and North would have made the slam had he led the nine of diamonds, and played the seven from dummy after East followed low. Actually, this was a possible line of play to follow, all factors considered.

But the Danish North led the king of diamonds at trick two, and this play proved fatal. Declarer now could not avoid losing a trump trick and a club, and he finished down one.

ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES						
Sunday	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	4:17	5:45	12:24	3:41	6:58	8:28
Medina	4:07	5:30	12:24	3:47	7:04	8:34
Nejd	3:42	5:11	11:56	3:18	6:36	8:06

DHAHRAN TV

4:30 Childrens Show	Electric co : 443, Kidsworld : 44
5:42 Superman	The Wedding of Superman
6:07 W.W. World of Animals	Meredith Macrae
6:30 Celebrity Cooks	Checking out your Heart
7:21 Heartline to Health	Time Capsule
7:21 Happy Days	The Gadget Lovers
7:55 The Saint	Stroke City vs. Oldham-Strewnbury
8:43 Soccer	Dragon Wells Massacre
9:42 Famous Film	

WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:

Moderate weather over the northwestern region, hot during the day over the rest of the Kingdom and humid over the coastal areas. Surface winds will blow mostly southerly to southwesterly, but will turn northerly over the eastern coast raising dust and sands occasionally. There is a likelihood of scattered thundershowers over the western and southwestern highlands.

Sea conditions will be calm to light in the Red Sea and moderate in the Gulf.

Saturday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	41	30	Al-Wajh	31	24
Jeddah	37	27	Tabuk	34	19
Riyadh	41	26	Turaf	32	20
Dhahran	41	29	Rafha	42	23
Medina	40	28	Bisha	37	23
Taif	33	20	Abha	30	15

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2:05 Gems of Guidance	10:25 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle
2:10 A Saudi Tableau	10:30 The World Atlas
2:20 On Islam	11:00 Youth Welfare
2:30 Off the Record	11:10 Music
3:00 NEWS	11:15 Top of the Pops
3:10 Press Review	11:45 Arabic by Radio
3:15 Music	12:00 Imp. Com. & Recollections
3:20	12:10 MUSIC
3:30 Leaps & Bounds	12:15 Stay Awake After Midnight
3:40 MUSIC	12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
3:50 Close Down	01:00 Close Down
Evening Transmission	
10:00 Openiog	
10:01 The Holy Quran	

VOA

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8:00 News Roundup	10:05 Opinion: Analyses
Reports: Actualities	News Summary
Opinion: Analyses	10:30 VOC Magazine: American; Science; Cultural; Letter
8:30 Dateline	11:00 Special English; News
News Summary	11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)
9:00 Special English	VOA WORLD REPORT
News; Feature. The Making of a Nation	Midnight
News Summary	12:00 News Newsmakers' voices correspondents reports background features media comments news analyses.
9:30 Music USA: (Standards)	
10:00 News Roundup	
Reports: Actualities	

BBC

Morning Transmission	
8:00 World News	4:30 The Pleasure's Yours
8:09 *Twenty-Four Hours News Summary*	5:15 Report on Religion
8:30 *Sarah Ward	6:00 Radio Newsreel
8:45 World Today	6:15 *Outlook
9:00 Newsdesk	7:00 World News
9:30 *Opera Star	7:09 Commentary
10:00 World News	7:15 *Sherlock Holmes
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary	7:45 World Today
10:30 *Sarah Ward	8:00 World News
10:45 *Something to Show You	8:09 *Books and Writers
11:00 World News	8:30 *Take One
11:09 FRReflections	8:45 Sports Round-up
11:15 Piano Style	9:00 World News
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978	9:09 News about Britain
12:00 World News	9:15 Radio Newsreel
12:09 British Review	9:30 Farming World
12:15 World Today	10:00 Outlook News Summary
12:30 Financial News	10:39 Stock Market Report
12:40 Look Ahead	10:43 Look Ahead
12:45 The Tony Myatt Request Show	10:45 Ulster in Focus
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2:00 World News	Midnight Transmission
2:09 News about Britain	12:15 Talkabout
2:15 Alphabet of Musical Curios	12:45 Nature Notebook
2:30 Sports International	1:00 World News
2:40 Radio Newsreel	1:09 World Today
3:15 Promenade Concert	1:25 Financial News
3:45 Sports Round-up	1:35 Book Choice
4:00 World News	1:40 Reflections
4:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary	1:45 Sports Round-up
	2:00 World News
	2:09 Commentary
	2:15 The Face of England

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR SUNDAY, MAY 27, 1979

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) ♈

Avoid minor disputes about money. If traveling in unfamiliar localities, you could be misled about an entertainment value. Be skeptical.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) ♉

An unfeasible suggestion may come up regarding property improvements. Also, you're likely to spend too much on satisfying a whim.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) ♊

Part of you wants to go out, the other part wants to stay at home. Don't let this uncertainty lead to moodiness or evasiveness.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) ♋

You can bite off more than you can handle regarding a do-it-yourself project. Know what you're getting into. Friends may seem withdrawn.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) ♌

Discussing business with friends is not recommended. You're liable to go overboard in your pursuit of good times and spend unwisely.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) ♍

Your efforts to help another could backfire now. In some way, you could feel duped. Postpone decisions about business trips.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎

Don't be taken advantage of in the name of friendship. Discussions about financial matters may be inconclusive. Be realistic.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏

You're impressionable and could be drawn into an unfeasible business project. What's more, you could be critical of another's spending.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐

News from a distance may prove unreliable. Don't ramble on about a topic unless you know what you're talking about.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) ♑

You may end up in a planned entertainment. At the same time, you don't feel like staying home. The stars say go!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) ♒

Don't go overboard about a group activity with a message. Before you become a believer, investigate the situation more thoroughly.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) ♓

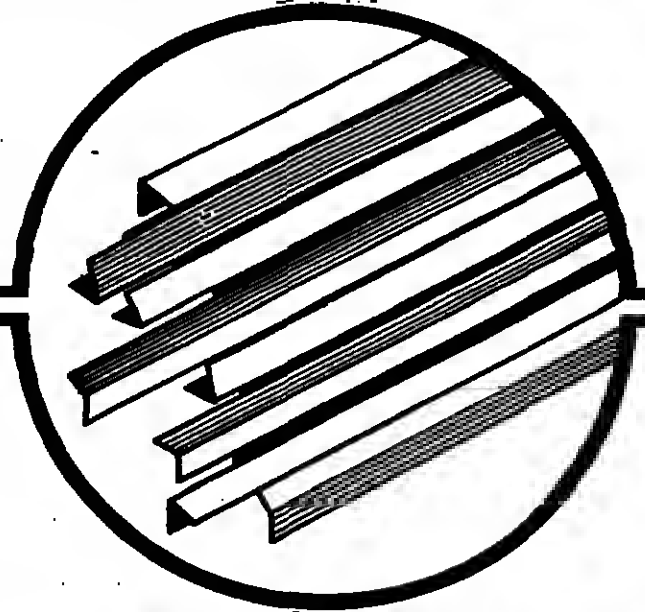
Avoid disputes with family members. You're somewhat idealistic, now, but possibly impractical about a business venture or work project.

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International

Begin, Vance arrive today

Sadat raises Egypt's flag over capital city of Sinai

EL ARISH, Egypt May 26 (AP) — President Anwar Sadat, dressed in a white navy admiral's uniform, raised the Egyptian flag over El Arish Saturday and was thronged by thousands of Egyptians celebrating the return of the Sinai capital after 12 years of Israeli occupation.

The Egyptian leader arrived in El Arish in a U.S.-made C130 military plane a day after Israeli troops began the first stage of an evacuation that is to leave Egypt with all of the Sinai Peninsula.

Sadat knelt on a straw mat near the airport runway and performed prayers flanked by top officials of his government and Muslim and Coptic leaders.

Soldiers lining the airstrip burst into emotional cries and had to be restrained by military police. Sadat then helicoptered to a war memorial for the unknown soldier built several weeks ago where flag-waving crowds cheered him.

Meanwhile, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance arrived in Cairo Saturday for a day without official meetings before heading to El Arish Sunday to take part in the Egyptian-Israeli negotiations.

Vance arrived from Israel, where he attended the start of negotiations between the two countries on Palestinian autonomy Friday.

President Sadat and Prime Minister Menachem Begin are to hold talks in El Arish on Sunday. The three men are also to helicopter to Bersheeba for more ceremonies.

Sadat and the entire Egyptian government were in El Arish Saturday for the celebrations and Vance was expected to spend the day in his hotel at the U.S. embassy, officials said.

Vance came to Cairo Saturday so he could travel to El Arish Sunday from the Egyptian capital rather than from Israel.

When Sadat receives Prime Minister Begin in El Arish Sunday, their private talks, will probably touch on the most difficult aspect of the complex Middle East conflict — the Palestinian issue which includes the question of divided Jerusalem.

At a first round of talks between Egypt and Israel in Bersheeba, Friday the two sides set out widely divergent positions. Israel offered only severely limited autonomy for Palestinians on the West Bank, and the Gaza Strip just north of here.

Egypt wants much broader autonomy for the Palestinians as a first step towards independence — something Israel refuses to concede. Egypt also claims East Jerusalem as part of the West Bank while Israel insists it is the capital of the Jewish state and must never again be divided.

But Saturday event was a strictly domestic affair watched from afar by groups of Israelis behind a barbed-wire fence marking the new, temporary border in the Sinai. By the end of the year Egypt will have regained two-thirds of the arid but mineral-rich desert. The remainder will be returned over the next three years.



CONGRATULATIONS: President Jimmy Carter greets Stephen Celeste, 1 1/2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Celeste, at left, after a White House ceremony Wednesday when Celeste was sworn in as director of the Peace Corps.

Five face trial in Switzerland on \$700 million fraud charges

CHIASO, Switzerland, May 26 (R) — Five men will go on trial here Monday charged with responsibility for a banking scandal alleged to have cost Switzerland's oldest major bank, Credit Suisse, over \$700 million.

The main defendants, who face up to 15 years in prison if convicted, are Ernst Kuhnmeier and Claudio Laffranchi. Until their suspension and arrest in April 1977, they were manager and deputy manager respectively of Credit Suisse's branch in this town on the border with Italy.

They are alleged to have used Italian funds deposited with the bank's Chiaso branch to build a financial empire of their own, channelling the money through a Liechtenstein holding company into some 200 companies in Italy.

They are alleged to have given Credit Suisse, in defiance of head office regulations, guarantees for nearly half the \$1.3 billion deposited with the holding company, Fon Finanzanstalt.

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Alleged hired killer admits getting richer off of Thorpe scandal

LONDON, May 26 (AP) — The alleged "hit man" in the murder conspiracy trial of former Liberal Party leader Jeremy Thorpe admitted in court Friday he has "milked" the case for all that it's worth and made more than \$20,000 by selling his story to the press.

The admission by Andrew Newton, who claims he was hired to kill male model Norman Scott and bungled the job on purpose, came as the defense hammered away at the credibility of Newton, a key prosecution witness.

Newton, once a pilot for a small domestic airline, faced a tough cross-examination by John Mathew, defense counsel for Holmes, on the 14th day of proceedings at the Old Bailey, London's central criminal court.

Mathew submitted to Newton that the Thorpe case has presented to him "what can only be described as a money-making situation, would you agree?"

"Yes, money has been made," said Newton, who agreed with Mathew that he had milked the case for all he could get.

"It is going to be a very much easier case to milk and you are going to obtain a great deal more milk, Mr. Newton, if the defendants are convicted of this charge, correct?" Mathew said.

"That is absolutely correct," Newton replied.

The defense counsel then went on to cite sums of money Newton received for telling his story to various news organizations. Newton, referring to his notes, confirmed the figures.

The sums were £3,000 from London's "Evening News," £4,000 from the West German magazine "der Spiegel," £2,000 from the American Broadcasting Co., £600 from London's "Daily

Express," £500 from the Columbia Broadcasting System, and £850 from Canadian television.

That amounted to a total of £10,950 or about \$21,900 at the exchange rates of the time.

"You have the clearest possible motive to perjure yourself in this case," Mathew said.

"Yes, I have," Newton replied.

England remains soccer champion after Scots' loss

LONDON, May 26 (R) — England retained their British soccer championship by beating Scotland 3-1 in the final match at Wembley Saturday, continuing Scotland's dismal run since their dramatic trip to the World Cup Finals in Argentina last year.

England's victory gave them five points in the championship and ended the title hopes of Wales, who after a 1-1 draw with Northern Ireland Friday night would have taken the crown if Saturday's match had also been a draw.

W. Berlin jury acquits hijacker of air piracy

BERLIN, May 26 (AP) — A 12-member German jury sitting in a special "U.S. Court-Berlin" Saturday acquitted an East German of air piracy in last year's hijacking of a Polish airliner to the American sector of this city.

But jury, the first such lay panel to hear a criminal case in Germany under American court rules, found defendant Detlef Tiede guilty of a charge of hostage-taking.

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which was earmarked for outlays of SR47.8 billion. Internal security agencies will receive SR 8.26 billion. In FY1399, appropriations for both the military and security sectors totalled SR45.568 billion.

Dr. Yamani said the Council of Ministers considers the new budget in line with government goals of curtailing public expenditure, improving the standard of public services and concentrating on productive projects and public utility programs — such as education, health, agriculture, security and communications.

Internal government loans were cut for this year over last from SR16.6 billion to SR12.905 billion — a 22 per cent decline. The Ministry of Economy reported outlays for internal loans during the last fiscal year totalled SR16.5 billion.

The government's new budget for local subsidies is SR5.227 billion, a 15 per cent decline from last year's figure of SR6.154 billion figure. The subsidies cover spending for items like foods, agricultural production, animal husbandry, social insurance, Saudi domestic flights, electricity, social insurance and youth and sport clubs. Students studying inside and outside the Kingdom are also covered by scholarships under the subsidy program.

Human resources appropriations are pegged this year at SR17.144 billion, which are to be used for manpower development. The figure represents an 8.4 per cent spending increase over appropriations for last year.

Under this year's budget, infrastructure development is considered separately from transport and communications. The infrastructure budget — covering municipal services, housing and work on the industrial complexes of Jubail and Yanbu — totals SR18.492 billion. Transport and communications is budgeted at SR23.737 billion. (In last year's budget, the two taken together received appropriations of SR40.835 billion.)

Sheikh Abu Al-Khalil said the budget this year had been prepared to ensure that government spending stays within the economy's absorptive capacity in order to prevent high levels of inflation. Inflation during FY1399 was less than 10 per cent, accordingly the Ministry of Finance, while the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency reported last month that inflation during FY1398 reached only 4 per cent.

The government's shortfall in revenues last year came from lower incomes than had been anticipated from such sources as customs duties, foreign assets and income taxes on foreign companies. Oil revenues during the year amounted to SR115.518 billion, according to the Ministry of Finance, which was almost identical to the Ministry's projection last year of oil earnings of SR115.134 billion.

This could in part stem from the decline in the value of the U.S. dollar, which accounts for 80 per cent of the Kingdom's official reserves, during 1978.

Total income for FY1399 reached SR123.871 billion, well short of the budget target of SR130 billion.

Actual expenditures for the year were reported at SR147.4 billion, part of which was covered by royal decrees authorizing drawings on the official reserves of at least SR9.9 billion during the year.

The decree authorizing this year's budget once again admonishes the government that the Kingdom's foreign assets and official reserves cannot be used for expenditures except with a specific royal decree.

"Any surplus income or savings on the allocations in this budget shall be carried over to the state reserves," King Khaled's budget decree declares. "Drawing on these reserves will not be allowed unless sanctioned by a royal decree in cases of utmost necessity bearing on the supreme interest of the state."

The total value of Saudi Arabia's foreign assets and official reserves is now estimated to total SR190 billion, according to international banking sources.

Saturday's budget statements did not indicate what estimated revenues will be during FY1400.

In one category where the government intends to devote more spending for small towns and villages, spending is targeted at a higher figure this year for health and social services (SR9.188 billion). The ministries of agriculture and water, petroleum and mineral resources, industry and electricity and commerce will together receive SR12.903 billion.

Public administration allocations total SR10.352 billion under the new budget.

Spending under the first four years of the Kingdom's second five-year development plan (1395-1400) totalled SR447.5 billion, according to figures of the Ministry of Finance and the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency. When the amounts allocated for this year are considered, the five-year plan's total budget is now expected to reach SR607.5 billion. That is SR109.3 billion over the plan's original budget estimate of SR498.2 billion.

Dr. Yamani said the budget gives top priority to projects for the pilgrimage sites. A special directive was issued giving priority to the projects now being implemented.

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testing the liberation of all usurped Arab territory and the legitimate rights of the Palestinian Arab people."

"No doubt the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty will have negative effects on some Arab issues. However, we believe that we, the Arabs, are capable of containing and overcoming all possible negative effects," he added.

As for the treaty's effects on the strategic Bab Al Mandeh Strait at the mouth of the Red Sea, Saleh said North Yemen is prepared for any eventuality, "especially because we understand very well Israeli designs."

He said his recent trip to Saudi Arabia, and talks with the Kingdom's leaders in Riyadh were very helpful. "The visit also reflected our excellent bilateral relations and emphasized the strong and brotherly links between the Yemeni and Saudi peoples," he said.

He said he has recently dispatched messages to Arab leaders throughout the Middle East to brief them on the latest developments in Yemen, and bilateral issues.

"We appreciate the concern of all Arabs in the Yemeni developments and their regional and international support," Saleh said.



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